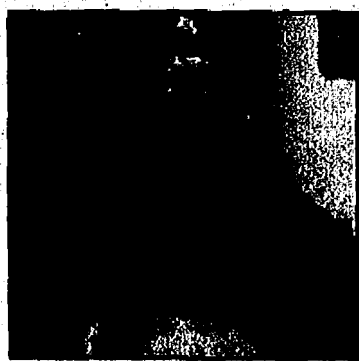


2008: Year In Review



With 2008 at an end, the *Crawford County Avalanche* presents its annual Year In Review. The Year In Review includes article summaries from stories featured in the *Crawford County Avalanche* during the 2008 calendar year. The 2008 Year In Review was published in two parts. This week's *Crawford County Avalanche* includes the months of July through December. **10-12A**

Schrieber retires as DAV field officer



After 24 years of dedicated service, Ron Schrieber retired from his post as the local Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Department of Michigan Field Service Officer last Wednesday. He worked out of the Michigan Veteran's Trust Fund Office in the county building. **3A**

Board selects leadership for 2009

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners went with the familiar adage, "if ain't broke, don't fix it," when it came to picking leadership for 2009. **3A**

SPORTS

Vikings place 3rd, 4th in holiday tournaments

Grayling High School's varsity wrestling team placed third and fourth in two separate tournaments held during winter break. **9A**

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Thursday, January 8, 2009

Battle over a pair of court ordered pit bull euthanizations brews in Grayling

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

Two pit bulls, ordered to be euthanized by a Crawford County District Judge this week, were granted an 11th hour appeal on Tuesday.

Crawford County Judge Monte Burmeister ordered that pit bulls owned by Ken and Dawn Minard be euthanized on Thursday, Jan. 8.

The Minards are continuing their fight with the Crawford County Animal Control office and the courts to save their pit bulls, named "Shelby" and "Riley," and hired Grayling attorney Miranda Bailey to appeal Burmeister's ruling on Tuesday.

The court case stems from an incident that took place around 8:30 p.m. on July 18, 2008, in Grayling Township's Sherwood Forest Subdivision. The Minards live at 635 Little

John Avenue.

James Vernon Gardiner, who lives near the Sherwood Forest Subdivision, was riding his mountain bike south from Pollack Bridge Road. Gardiner left the roadway at the intersection of Tomahawk Trail and Little John Avenue and turned to travel on a dirt trail which runs parallel to the railroad tracks.

One of the two dogs first approached and began chasing and barking at Gardiner and the other followed in close behind. Gardiner dismounted his bike and put it between him and the dogs. He also sprayed a water bottle at them. When Gardiner shoved the bike in the direction of the dogs or yelled at them, they would move backward but would immediately come in his direction in a threatening manner.

See **BATTLE** | 2A



Photo by Dan Sanderson

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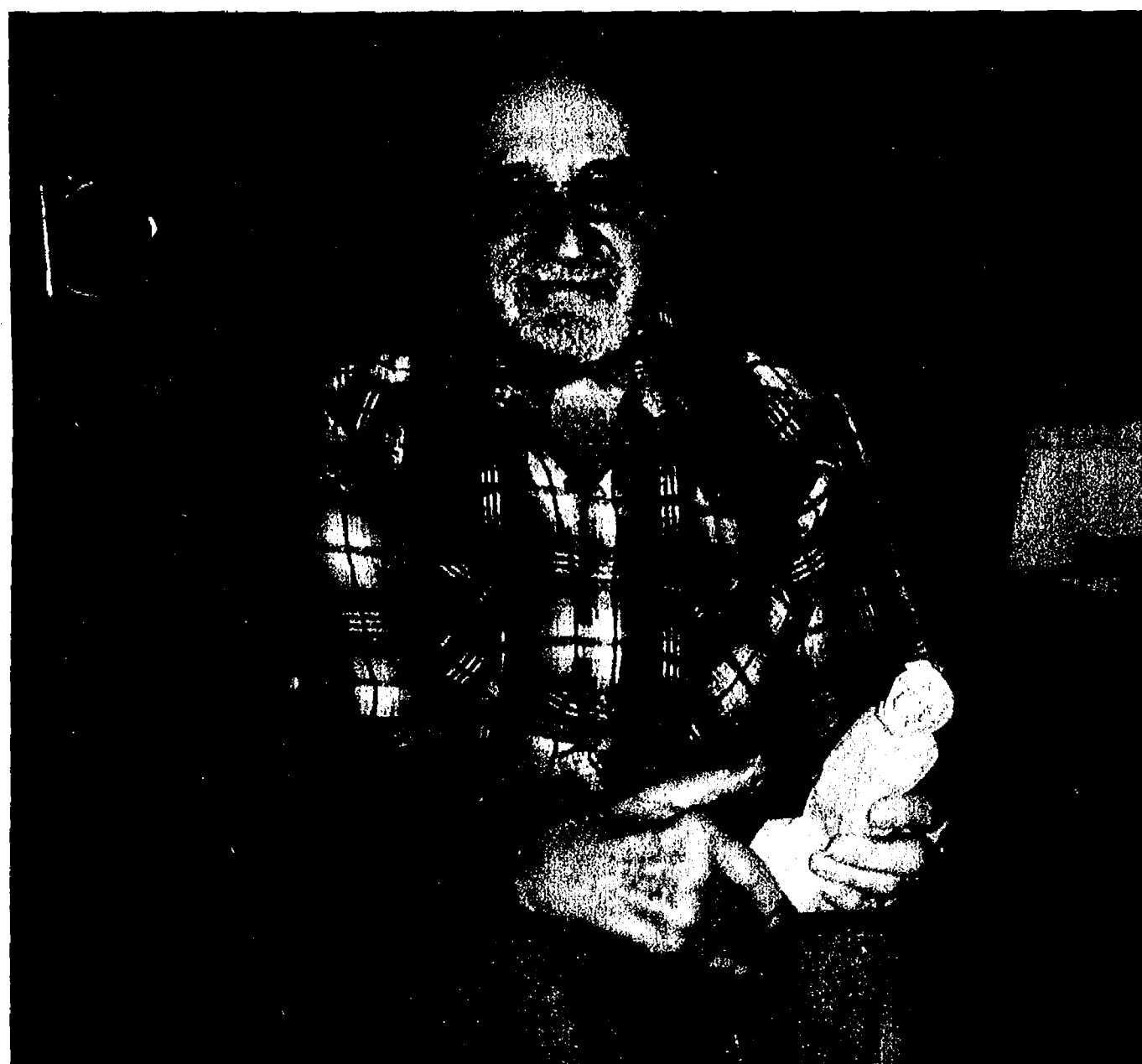


Photo by Dan Sanderson

Grayling carver Ed Hartig has been turning out ornate objects over the last decade despite nerve damage and arthritis that affects the hand he uses to hold his carving tools. Above, Hartig prefers to carve in his recliner during the afternoons and evenings in the winter months.

One-handed Grayling carver turns out ornate crafts for the holidays

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

A Grayling wood carver who nearly has no use of his right hand, which he has used to add details to his characters and designs over the last decade, recently helped some gift givers spread the holiday spirit.

Ed Hartig first started carving dolphins, pelicans and manitos when he began traveling to Florida with his wife Sally in 1997.

In Grayling, Hartig worked as a maintenance man at the Grayling High School for 21 years, from 1973 to 1994, cleaning up after students and repair-

ing equipment and school fixtures. Sally worked in the Grayling Middle School office for five years. She then took a position as a legal secretary in the private legal practice for the now retired Crawford County Prosecutor John Huss from 1980 until retiring in 1996.

See **ONE-HANDED** | 3A

Local businesses bracing for more Big Three woes

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

With the "Big Three" automakers lined up to receive multi-billion dollar bailout packages spread out over the coming months, the American auto industry appears to be staying afloat for the time being.

Nonetheless, local businesses that depend on Detroit dollars are still preparing for the worst.

Deane Systems, an assembly machine manufacturer located in Grayling, gets much of its business from Detroit automakers. Owner Gary Ginther says his company, which supplies screw feeding machines to Detroit, has already seen fallback from floundering auto production.

"We've got one job for General Motors that was shut off," Ginther said.

This happened just two weeks ago. He said that his company is bracing itself for more lost business from the auto industry.

"I've never lost any money dealing with small companies ... but the big guys, you've got to watch," Ginther said.

He has been paying careful attention to the unfolding industry changes.

"We're waiting to see what they're going to do," Ginther said. "If I could predict what they're up to, I guess I'd be in great demand."

Meanwhile, Ginther says he plans to continue to diversify his company's output in order to reduce dependence on the auto industry.

"We're looking, right now, at other areas, other things we can build," Ginther said.

He noted that Deane Systems is already taking 30-40 percent of its business from semi-trailer makers. Nonetheless, a large chunk of their remaining business is still tied to Detroit automakers.

Ginther added that a sudden auto industry collapse would be bad news for his company's 15 employees.

See **LOCAL BUSINESSES** | 2A

Popularity of alternative heating solutions on the rise

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

Despite the recent drop in fossil fuel prices, many Crawford County residents remain on the lookout for ways to save on energy.

In fact, the cost of heating a regular sized home during the winter remains fairly substantial, especially since the cold came early this year.

Although propane and natural gas prices will vary, the monthly cost of heating an average sized one level home can have a substantial budget

impact for many Crawford County residents. It is generally much more expensive to heat multi-level homes.

In light of these costs, local retailers have observed that alternative heating solutions are especially popular among penny pinching Crawford County residents this year.

Shelly Elmy, co-owner of Dubois Lumber, says that alternative heating solutions are an incredibly hot item at the moment.

"This is the first year we have ever gone with alternative heat sources," Elmy said.

She said she made alternative heating units, including corn burners, wood stoves and electric space heaters, available at her business due to the demand for something different.

"We put all those in because fuel was so high," Elmy said. "It has gotten to the point of ridiculous."

She said that certain lines of modern electric space heaters are clearly winning the popularity contest at the moment.

These space heaters are capable of heating a fairly large area in a short amount of time. The heat is

generated inside the device, but the outer casing remains cool, keeping them kid safe and virtually eliminating the risk of accidental fires.

"It's basically just a radiant bulb," Elmy said.

Elmy reports that since Oct. 15, Dubois Lumber has already sold 200 electric space heaters.

This means that a relatively sizeable chunk of the local population has jumped on the alternative heating bandwagon, especially considering that Dubois Lumber is only one of several retailers in the area

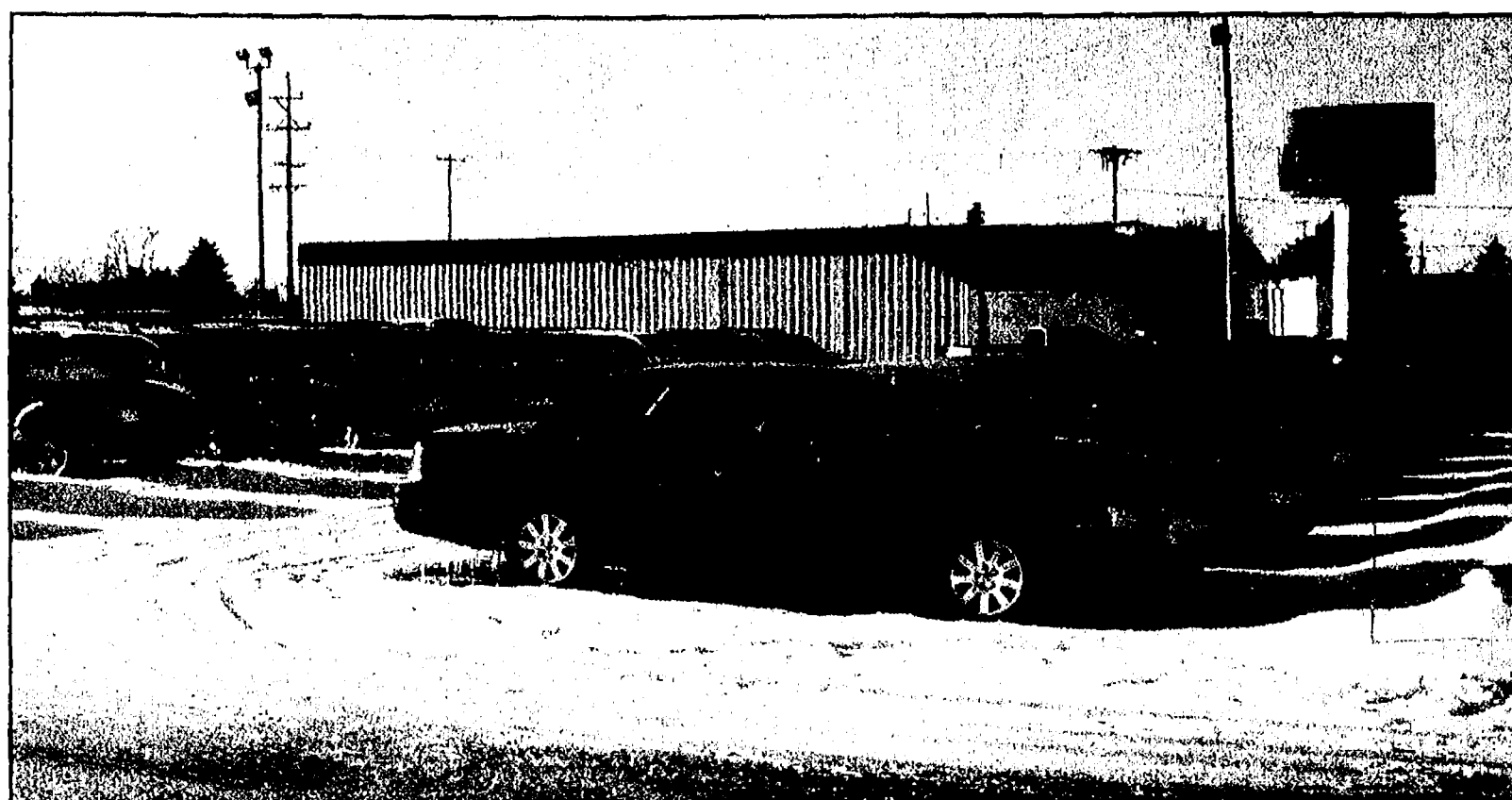
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Despite the recent government bailout, the future of the "Big Three" automakers remains in jeopardy, with the majority of American consumers opting to buy either foreign cars or pre-owned vehicles. A potential auto industry collapse would impact a substantial number of people living in Crawford County.

Local businesses bracing for more Big Three woes

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"It would make it rough, that's for sure," Ginther said.

Deane Systems is not alone. Grayling is also home to Airway Automation, a competing assembly machine manufacturer that also works with the Big Three.

Gaila Gilliland, director of the Crawford County Economic Development Partnership, estimated that there are around 100 people in Grayling whose jobs are directly dependent on dollars from the auto industry.

In addition to the afore-

mentioned businesses, this number includes auto dealerships and other small companies that do technical work for the auto giants.

"They need fewer and fewer supplies and parts ... that translates to less work for the supplier companies," Gilliland said.

She added that local business connected to the auto industry has actually been hurting for years.

"Things were not good before we went into this latest phase of this recession," Gilliland said.

She believes that outsourcing has had a direct

impact on Grayling companies.

"Part of the underlying problem has been the need for producers to go overseas for their supplies," Gilliland said.

This has driven down prices to the point where many local businesses find it difficult to compete.

"Even when they can produce something locally ... the company to whom (local businesses) supplied is saying, 'your prices are still too high,'" Gilliland said. "You have to think of that very situation being replicated throughout Michigan."

She said that companies like Deane Systems are smart to diversify.

"I mean, think about the alternative," Gilliland said.

She added that the medical supply industry is one of the most promising sectors at the moment.

Still, she feels that it would be virtually impossible to escape the potential impact of a total Detroit auto industry collapse.

"I believe if the Big Three vanished overnight, it would devastate not just Grayling ... but the entire world," Gilliland said.

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Gardiner was able to find a three-foot stick, which he used to fend off the dogs along with the bike. He was able to make his way into the backyard of an unoccupied home located at the intersection of Tomahawk Trail and Little John Avenue. As Gardiner neared the home, the dogs began to back off. He then heard a voice, and the dogs immediately took off toward the direction of the voice.

Gardiner rode his bike in the direction of the voice while on the road. He said he did not see a person, but noticed Beware of Dog signs posted on trees on the property. He

then rode his bike to Crawford County Animal Control Officer Gail Foguth's home and reported the incident to her.

The Minards were ticketed for having loose dogs two days after the incident.

Later, on Nov. 26, the Minards were summoned into Crawford County District Court. After hearing testimony from witnesses, Foguth and former Crawford County Assistant Prosecutor Dave Sabin, Burmeister determined the dogs were dangerous animals. He ordered Foguth to seize the dogs and put them in the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter. The initial date to euthanize the animals was set for Dec. 18.

Another court hearing was held on Dec. 16, where Burmeister heard testimony that the dogs had not shown aggressive behavior while under quarantine. Burmeister upheld his initial ruling.

Carol Thayer, a cousin of Ken Minard's, said she has allowed her daughter to stay at the Minard's house. Thayer added the dogs have even licked ice cream off of her granddaughter's face.

"They have never been dangerous," Thayer said.

"When the kids play with them, they play back."

Gardiner, who is currently deployed with the Michigan National Guard in Iraq, was unavailable for comment. A witness' statement, however, is included in each of the court files for the dogs.

"I was yelling at the dogs during that time and the dogs were barking loudly and moving at me aggressively throughout the entire incident. I feel extremely fortunate that I came out of this situation uninjured," Gardiner said. "In my opinion, the likelihood of serious injury or worse would be very high if this situation had involved a child or an elderly person."

Tracy A. Holland, a certified instructor and trainer from My Three Dogs Professional Training Kennel in Petoskey, evaluated the dogs in December. Holland said that she engaged both dogs which she found to be exuberant and enthusiastic and did not display aggressive behavior. She also said that the dogs did not prey down on objects as they would chase, catch or kill another animal or person.

Dog trainer David Lemunyon from Arenac County also assessed Shelby and Riley in December. Lemunyon, who has been working with pit bulls and other dogs for 20 years, said that no dog should be allowed to roam unsupervised where they can get into trouble. Lemunyon concluded that he did not find the two dogs to have any more potential to be any more dangerous than his own personal dogs running loose in his community.

Shelby and Riley got loose when they dug through the ground under the kennel where they were kept. The Minards have since built a kennel with a concrete floor in compliance with the Crawford County Animal Control

ordinance. Shelby was spayed on Monday, and Riley was neutered. The Minards have agreed to take dog training classes from Lemunyon.

"These dogs are like my children," Minard said. "I love these dogs very much and I'm willing to fight to the last step to save them - whatever it takes."

Dawn Minard questioned why they are being required to pay steep lawyer's bills for another appeal after they were ticketed in July and then brought into court four months later.

"I should be spending that money on my grandson that's about to be here any day instead of lawyer's fees and things like that," Dawn said.

Grayling High School graduate Chris Wright, the author of the "American Chillers" and Michigan Chillers books, has put information on the Minard's case on his Thor's Warriors web site. The web site was designed to promote the abuse and neglect case of a yellow lab name "Thor."

The information pertaining to Burmeister's order calling for the euthanization of Shelby and Riley is called "Fighting Animal Cruelty and Injustice in Northern Michigan." Burmeister presided for the Thor case, in which a jury found Lawrence Edward Baumgart of Roscommon guilty of animal/cruelty-abandonment.

Wright said he took an interest in the Minard's case since his wife, Boots, volunteers at the AuSable Valley Animal Shelter and he designs the web site for the shelter. Wright had seen the dogs at the shelter.

"It seemed that the dogs being determined to be euthanized - I didn't think the punishment fit the crime," Wright said. "The court has been put in a tough position because they have got to keep the community safe."

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Ron Schrieber retires as DAV field officer

by Matt Seager
Staff Writer

After 24 years of dedicated service, Ron Schrieber retired from his post as the local Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Department of Michigan Field Service Officer last Wednesday. He worked out of the Michigan Veteran's Trust Fund Office in the county building.

John Demorest, a DAV officer with 14 years of experience, took over Schrieber's post on Monday.

The DAV field officer based out of Crawford County is responsible for veterans and their families throughout a large part of the northern Michigan area. The officer serves to assist qualified individuals in accessing care from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

Schrieber got his start with the DAV after retiring from the Air Force.

"I liked the Air Force and I thought this would be a good follow-on career," Schrieber said.

While the DAV field service officer job description may sound highly specialized, Schrieber's work was far broader reaching than it may appear on paper.

"We don't limit ourselves primarily to disabled veterans," Schrieber said.

Oftentimes, the DAV field officer will work with the families of deceased veterans to help them access essential medical or educational benefits.

Schrieber recalled an instance where he was able to play a part in helping a family that needed VA support.

"The veteran died and left the widow with five children to raise and educate," Schrieber said.

He contacted the VA and helped ensure that they paid for all five children to go to school. This is just one example of the sort of work Schrieber has been doing in Grayling for over two decades.

"We do anything we can to help anybody we need to," Schrieber said.

Although Schrieber said he is quite happy to be retiring after a long career of service, he said he will miss meeting new people on the job. Nonetheless, he said he has no intention of disappearing entirely.

"I'm going to continue to be involved with the DAV, but on a different level," Schrieber said.

He will continue to serve as the DAV Department of Michigan Legislative Committee Chairperson. He also serves on Crawford County's Michigan Veterans Trust Fund Committee.

Meanwhile, Schrieber said that the DAV field office has been left in capable hands, stating that Demorest is a talented service officer and a "good guy."

"He wouldn't be working for the DAV if he wasn't," Schrieber said.

Demorest, who previously held a DAV position in



Ron Schrieber relaxes during his last day at the office last Wednesday. The local DAV field service officer is responsible for making sure nearby veterans and their families get the support that they need.

Saginaw, said he feels well prepared to start work in the Crawford County office.

"It's not a new job to me," Demorest said.

Demorest said he is excited to increase awareness of the DAV's presence in Crawford County.

"Most veterans and widows are unaware of the changing laws and the benefits that they may be eligible for," Demorest said.

Schrieber agreed that more people in the local area could be taking advantage of DAV services.

"I don't think half of the county veterans even know that this office exists," Schrieber said.

Demorest speculated that since there is not a VA hospital in the nearby area, veterans' awareness of the DAV presence has been

limited. He expects this to change when the planned Grayling VA outpatient clinic is completed in 2010.

Meanwhile, he emphasized that there are plenty of DAV services that could be of great use to local veterans right now, including free transportation to VA medical facilities for qualified individuals and their caretakers.

Both Demorest and Schrieber emphasized that the satisfaction of making a difference is what inspired years of dedication to the job.

"People come back to us later on saying, 'you really helped us out,'" Demorest said. "Money can't buy that kind of satisfaction."

For more information on DAV services, Demorest can be contacted at 989-348-5645.

One-handed Grayling carver turns out ornate crafts

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Ironically, Hartig was in an automobile accident in 1953, when he was 21-years-old. It occurred at the intersection of Hartwick Pines Road (M-93) and Old U.S. 27 and he sustained a broken neck and lingering nerve damage.

After Hartig retired, he tried to maintain the inside and outside of his home and maintain his interest in woodworking. But after Hartig's nerve damage increased and arthritis started to creep into his arms and hands, the couple sold their home on Warner Drive and bought a fifth wheel. The couple traveled to Florida for the winter and parked their home on wheels at Camp Grayling during the summer.

"It's frustrating when you can do everything and then you can't do anything," Hartig said.

Surgeons fused bones in Hartig's neck and back and inserted cadaver bones in his neck to help with the nerve damage.

In Florida, Hartig took his

first woodcarving class. He took such an interest in the hobby that he eventually became an instructor.

"This is something I enjoy because it keeps me going," Hartig said. "Every one you do, you do something different and you learn by doing another one."

Hartig reads books on carving to find new projects to tackle. The hobby has turned into a family affair. Hartig's son, Bill Hartig, who works as an engineer at IMM, cuts the front and sides of bass and butternut wood and Ed Hartig adds dimensions and details to the wood blocks with his carving tools. His daughter, Susan Bushey, recently started painting the wooden characters.

The Hartigs moved back to Grayling into an apartment operated by the Grayling Housing Commission in May 2006. Ed and Sally Hartig have seven grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren. He taught wood carving to some of his grandchildren and other youngsters visit-

ing the family from the neighboring apartments.

"It's nice to have the kids come around," he said.

Hartig prefers to carve in his recliner in the afternoons and evenings during the winter months. During the warmer months, he carves outside, which allows him to visit with senior citizens and youngsters passing by.

"Sometimes I have to make him quit so he can eat supper he gets so involved," Sally said.

Hartig has added Santa Claus figures, Cowboy Santas, mountain men, old men characters, sea captains, rifles and turtles to his repertoire over the years. He has carved dozens of baby shoes, which are featured on plaques that include the child's name and date of birth.

Hartig holds his carving tools in his right hand, which he barely has control over due to his arthritis and nerve damage. He holds the wood in his left hand. Hartig has suffered cuts to his hands and tears holes in

his jeans while making the ornate objects.

"I'm really happy that he has something to do," Sally said. "He gets depressed, so having his carving really helps and he's pretty good at cleaning up his own mess."

The Hartigs will celebrate their 54th wedding anniversary on April 9.

Hartig has participated in craft shows during Frederic Fun Days and shows held at the Grayling Eagles Club and American Legion Lounge and Lanes.

"Most sell by word of mouth and a lot of people buy them as gifts and things like that," Hartig said.

Linda Nickert, the owner of The Brickery, a gifts, arts and antiques store in Grayling, sold some of Hartig's work during the recent holiday season.

"People are just absolutely delighted with his work," she said.

One of The Brickery's goals is to feature the work of local artists and crafters.

"The talent in this little town is great," Nickert said.

County board selects leadership for 2009

by Dan Sanderson
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners went with the familiar adage, "if ain't broke, don't fix it," when it came to picking leadership for 2008.

Dave Stephenson, who has been the chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners for three years and has been on the board since 2002, was selected to serve as chairman at the board's organization meeting held on Monday.

Terry Beardslee will again serve as vice chairman of the board.

Commissioner Mike Lange will continue serving as chairman of the board's ways and means committee, which oversees finances for all county departments and services.

Commissioner Shelley Pinkelman will continue serving as chairwoman for the board's law enforcement committee. And, veteran county commissioner Scott Hanson was picked again to head up the board's personnel committee.

The board's ways and means, law enforcement and personnel meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month at 3:30 p.m. The regular county board meetings are held at 9:30 a.m. on the third Wednesday of the month.

Living within the county's budgets while dealing with less revenues and providing adequate services to county citizens are the top issues commissioners will deal with in 2009.

"We have a huge concern, along with everybody else in the State of Michigan, with the economy,"

Stephenson said.

The county board will also tackle an addition project to the front of the county building, which will add American Disabilities Act compliant restrooms and entrances and add an elevator to access the basement level of the building.

Funds, that will be freed up from an expansion of the Crawford County Jail which was completed in 1996, have been earmarked by

county commissioners to pay for the building improvements.

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Issues and Opinions



Almanack

by Richard Milliman

Wit and wisdom from 2008

AS 2009 GETS underway, faithful Almanack readers are herewith provided another opportunity to review some kernels of wit and wisdom appearing in this column during the past year.

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Daylight Savings Time: I've always wondered about the effect of daylight savings time on the farm. Cows, chickens, hogs and other farm animals have their own timing systems built into their bodies. They must be fed within certain limits, be cared for on a schedule. Hens lay eggs and cows give milk on their own timetables. Crops need both sunlight and rain to prosper, and what the face of a clock might show has no significance.

Michigan primary: Sen. Hillary Clinton was the only top Democratic name on the ballot. She received 56 percent of the (Democratic) vote, but the 40 percent who voted "uncommitted" could be interpreted as "anybody but Hillary." To win only 56 percent of the vote when

essentially running against nobody, in my book, should not be encouraging.

Mitt Romney: As a candidate, Mitt Romney never established a winning identity with voters — a warm and fuzzy image of a guy with whom they would like to share a cup of coffee or a beer (or a milk shake, since Mormons abstain from both alcohol and coffee). The question to voters became whether this was a guy to whom they were willing to trust the country, and not enough "yes" answers came back. People don't elect a guy they don't trust.

Least-worst voting: Many times in my 60 years of voting for public office at all levels, I have been faced with the "least worst" dilemma. It's never a happy quandary. It's a much richer experience to be fully convinced that you are making the correct choice with your vote — and hopefully an enthusiastic choice — and that goes for any public office.

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Aging: Most office holders, including presidents, I

presume, believe they simply "will know" when they are too old to do their jobs and graciously step aside at that time. However, many aging people find it difficult or impossible to admit to themselves, much less to others, that their capacities have been reduced by age. Advancing age is inevitable if you live long enough, and changes in mind and body and attitude and just about everything else are inevitable, too. To me, John McCain at 72 is not too old to be president, but at 75 or 76, he may be.

National primaries: One of the better suggestions so far is a series of four or five regional primaries, grouping states in a region for same-day primaries, and shifting the schedule so regions take turns in leading off the process. Perhaps the Michigan primary this year, in the end, will accomplish one of its purposes, although it did not help decide a presidential nominee.

Bank bailout: The financial crisis defies understanding by most

Americans, including me. We cannot comprehend the government putting up \$700 billion to help troubled banks and how that's going to solve anything, especially how it will benefit ordinary people. We are told if the government doesn't act, our economy faces disaster, we could be in for another 1929 and the great depression, or even worse, and nobody really knows how bad it could get. Such frightening visions remind me of the run up to the Iraqi invasion: We were warned of weapons of mass destruction, chemical warfare, terrorists trained and hidden in Iraq, an addled and unpredictable dictator toying with nuclear weapons, all dangerous to Americans. Is the scare of the economy more of the same? Probably not, but it sounds so familiar it makes me wonder.

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Auto loan: Many competent voices have suggested the government should keep hands off, and if bankruptcy and closures follow, then so be it; that's the way

of our free enterprise system, which has permitted the auto companies to grow and prosper all these years. That may be fine for economists and professors and other big thinkers, but to those who depend on auto company checks to put food on the table, that reasoning is not very reassuring.

Reapportionment: When partisans are involved, partisanship is bound to dominate in such a touchy, vital area as how national and state legislative districts are put together. A fair and just method is available, however. A computer could do the job in no time at all — just feed in controlling data, such as equal population, integrity of local government lines, compact size, regular shape, and other guidelines, and omit a couple of factors, namely incumbency and partisan voting patterns. Leave out those two qualifiers, and the rest is easy.

Voter fatigue: One way to beat voter fatigue is the straight party ticket. For example, on my ballot a single swipe could cast my

votes for 25 different national, state and local offices. But as far as I can recall, I have never voted a straight party ticket, and probably never will. I've never found that either all Republicans or all Democrats are better suited for the offices they seek, so I regularly pick and choose the candidates I think will do better jobs.

Personal voting: My first vote for president was cast 60 years ago. In every presidential election since, I have been privileged to make my voice heard. During those 15 presidential elections, I have voted for Republican candidates, for Democratic candidates, and in some years, when I really didn't care for either major party candidate, I have voted for third party nominees, but I have always voted for — or against — someone.

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Letters to the Editor

COA - whom do you serve?

To the editor:

As a senior and an active user of the facilities at the Commission on Aging, I find myself facing a dichotomy. On one hand, I want to applaud the excellent staff for the fine meals and activities they present on a daily basis. But, it is hard to clap with one hand since the other hand seems to be in complete contradiction to the needs and wishes of the seniors they purportedly want to serve.

The vast majority of seniors that actually use these facilities vehemently oppose moving from the present location to anywhere, at least the dining hall. This is the most important function that the COA has. They could work this present arrangement out if the board spent half as much energy trying to earnestly negotiate and

resolve their differences, with HUD or whomever, as they do spending taxpayer's money. Get the governor or senators involved if that's what it takes. Make no mistake, this is going to finalize as a new building away from the core of the senior housing and those most in need. Motorized wheelchairs are not going to the fish hatchery for lunch.

Besides dining on the present grounds, I would point out that once again there are several vacant houses that could be procured for offices or expanded activities within the same block as the dining hall, again amidst the seniors most in need. Too simple of a solution?

The board wants a shiny new building. That is clearly the agenda. Serving the seniors is secondary at best. They speak of grants but

don't rule out a millage. They say two million dollars. Want to bet? I don't care if the federal government wants to print more money and pay for it all. It is unconscionable to spend such sums of money so unnecessarily and so irresponsibly at any time. In our present economy, this borders on stupidity or incompetence.

And, if you buy into having to move it all, rejecting the Eagle's property while still considering the old hatchery is outright laughable. The board calls this farce "due diligence." I think it was deceit from the beginning. The outspoken senior taxpayers are against it and still you do it anyway. Whom do you really serve? Sorry, no applause from me.

Phil Faustman
Grayling

Destroying dogs because of their breed?

To the editor:

I was reading a letter in the Avalanche about two pit bull type dogs. I have known about two dozen pit bulls in my life. Not one of the dogs were mean in any way. Their only fault was that they were glad to see you and would jump on you because they wanted to be pet.

I have known some

German shepherds and some labs who would take a chunk out of you if you turned your back.

That is the problem with this knee jerk society. If one dog is mean and vicious, it's because the owner beat the dog. Not all pit bulls are bad. A lot of dogs will bark and show aggression to a stranger. That is the reason why people keep

them, to protect their property.

A dog's job is to stop a stranger at the gate and if he doesn't, he is not doing his job.

If these dogs are euthanized, is the county saying that all pit bulls are bad and should be put to sleep?

John Speese
Grayling

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Viewpoint

By Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield

Reduce winter driving accidents

With the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) citing traffic accidents as the leading cause of death during winter storms, the Crawford County Sheriff's Office is reminding travelers that despite adverse conditions, many accidents can be avoided.

"What a lot of people need to understand is that a high percentage of traffic fatalities are a result of poor decision making," says Crawford County Sheriff Wakefield. "In bad weather, it may come down to something as simple as postponing travel for a day. If you do have to brave the elements, watch your speed, don't try to drive too far if you're tired and make sure your vehicle is equipped with the necessary equipment for the conditions. Most importantly, always wear safety belts and never get behind the wheel after having too much to drink."

In 2002, nearly 18,000 Americans died in alcohol-related accidents, the most since 1992. Most of these victims were not wearing seat belts. Despite statistics showing that seat belt usage in the U.S. has increased over the years, with about four out of every five travelers now buckling up, there is still room for improvement. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration estimates that if all drivers and passengers wore seat belts, approximately 8,000 lives a year would be spared nationwide.

Even with improved safety technology, such as air bags in a majority of vehicles, the United States, once the safest country in the world for driving, has fallen to ninth among industrialized nations, based on fatalities per 100 million miles traveled, according to a recent study conducted by the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development. The organization, which collects a variety of health and safety data worldwide, indicated that the U.S. has been surpassed by countries such as Great Britain, Canada and Australia in

traffic safety. America's declining rating can be attributed to the higher incidence of casualties from speeding, drunk driving and seat belt negligence, as well as a greater number of deaths among motorcyclists - many of whom do not wear helmets. Another factor is the proliferation of sport utility vehicles and pickup trucks, which present a greater danger to smaller vehicles in accidents, and which roll over more frequently.

In what has already been a harsh winter throughout much of the U.S., the Michigan Sheriffs' Association suggests the following safety tips for road travel in winter weather: check your tires, engine oil, antifreeze and brakes before embarking on a trip; buckle up and make sure your passengers do too; reduce speed in snow, sleet and rain; allow yourself plenty of braking space in wet weather; lightly pump your brakes on wet roads when slowing the vehicle; never venture down unplowed roads; avoid distractions (talking on cell phones, eating, etc); keep headlights on and use low beams in fog; listen to the radio for information on local road weather conditions; pull off the road if you're tired or if outside conditions worsen; and if you break down, don't venture more than 100 yards from your vehicle to seek help.

Things to include in your vehicle during winter driving are: a map of the area where you're traveling; water; a flashlight (with extra batteries); a candle (for heat and light); a snowbrush and ice-scraper; a package of cat litter (for tire traction); a spare tire, as well as tire-chains or tire cables (even for 4x4's); a small shovel; hats, weather proof gloves, boots and a heavy blanket; matches and flares; and a cell phone (for emergency use only).

The Michigan Sheriffs' Association (MSA) was established in 1877 to represent the state's 83 elected sheriffs. For more information or to join as a member, visit the Web site at www.michigansheriff.com.

Briefs

Sheriff to attend township meeting

Sheriff Kirk Wakefield will attend the Lovells Township meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 13, at 10 a.m. He will be there throughout the meeting, and if necessary, remain afterwards for additional questions or comments.

Legion Auxiliary to hold meeting

The American Legion Auxiliary will be holding their regular meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 14, at the American Legion Hall at noon.

Health Dept. to offer tetanus booster

The local health department will be offering tetanus boosters for adults. All adults should get a tetanus booster every 10 years. Call your doctor's office or the health department for more information and cost. Some insurances can be billed. Call the health department, at 348-7800, for an appointment or for more information.

Band boosters plan monthly meeting

The Grayling Viking Band Boosters meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 8, at 7 p.m., in the Grayling Middle School Band Room. Parents of band students are encouraged to attend and become involved in activities that support the instrumental music program for all Grayling schools.

Hartwick Pines to host winter event

Hartwick Pines will host Winter Trails Day on Jan. 10 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. This will be a day of snowshoeing activities and demonstrations. If you are interested in snowshoeing, but not sure how to start, this is a good program to attend. There will be free tryouts of snowshoes, guided hikes, indoor programs, refreshments and door prizes. For more information, contact Rob Burg at 989-348-2537 or e-mail at burgrob@michigan.gov.

Change in blood drive location

The blood drive scheduled to be held at the American Legion will be held at St. Mary's Family Center on Jan. 7 from noon - 6 p.m.

Choir boosters to hold meeting

The choir boosters meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 8, at 6:30 p.m., in the Grayling High School Choir Room. Parents of choir students are encouraged to attend.

4-H to begin swim classes

4-H Level I swim classes will be held on Mondays at 4 p.m., beginning Jan. 12, and will run for six weeks. The total cost is \$28, which includes the \$10 4-H state participation fee. If the participation fee has already been paid this year, the fee will be \$18 for the six session classes. Register at the MSU Extension office in the basement of the courthouse. Call 348-3266 for more information.

Area Events

Traverse City - The Dennon Museum Center at Northwestern Michigan College will present the Detroit based Gospel Choir the Whitfield Company on Friday, Jan. 16, at 8 p.m. in the Milliken Auditorium. Tickets are \$25 in advance, \$28 at the door and \$22 for museum members. Tickets may be purchased by calling the museum box office at 231-995-1553 or online at www.dennosmuseum.org.

The Dennon Museum Center at Northwestern Michigan College will host an Appraisal Day on Saturday, Jan. 17, from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Local art appraiser Don Butkovich will be at the museum to verbally appraise your hidden treasures. Each person can bring a maximum of two items. The proceeds from the \$5 fee per item will generously be donated to the Dennon Museum Center's museum programming fund. Reservations are required, call 231-995-1573 to reserve a time slot. The Dennon Museum Center is open daily from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays from 1 p.m. - 5 p.m. Admission is \$4 for adults, \$2 for children and free to museum members. For more information on the museum and its programs, go to www.dennosmuseum.org or call 231-995-1055. The Dennon Museum Center is located at 1701 East Front Street, Traverse City, at the entrance to the campus of Northwestern Michigan

College. Join the Grand Traverse Conservation District for outdoor activities at the Boardman River Nature Center. *The Art of Tracking and Bird Language* will be held on Jan. 10 from 9 a.m. - noon. This is for adults only. What animal is making the tracks in your backyard? How are birds the sentries of the forest? Join Native American guide Paul Raphael on the Fox Den Trail and learn the art of tracking. You will learn how to read the winter landscape, look for signs of native animals and how to distinguish a variety of animal tracks. Dress for the weather and be prepared to go off the beaten path on this winter adventure. Space for this event is limited. Register by calling 231-941-0960.

Movie Night - Animal Builders will be held on Jan. 14 from 6 p.m. - 7 p.m. All ages are welcome. Why do beavers work so hard to chop down trees? How do bald-faced hornets make their paper nests? Join us at the Nature Center for a movie and hands-on activities about the animal builders that live around us.

The Nature Center is located at 1450 Cass Rd., just 1.5 miles south of South Airport Rd. in Traverse City. The suggested donation for each program is \$5.

Check out www.NatureIsCalling.org for full program schedules or call 231-941-0960.



Chris Linn will be performing for the GPA Entertainment Series at the Grayling High School Joseph Stripe Auditorium on Thursday, Jan. 15.

America's magical funnyman to perform at GHS Auditorium

The Grayling Promotional Association's Entertainment Series will be presenting Chris Linn: America's Magical Funnyman at the Grayling High School Joseph Stripe Auditorium on Thursday, Jan. 15.

Half comedian, half off-beat magician and a whole lot of fun describes Linn. Linn blends creative magic effects and high energy comedy, with crazy stunts and lighthearted audience interaction, to create one of the most unique and freshly entertaining performances around.

Linn was performing paid gigs by the time he was 13 years old. After that, it did not take long for this charismatic young man's talent to gain national attention. He has performed in almost all 50 states, in over 13 different countries and has made numerous international television appearances. In 2004, he released his first comedy DVD, *Cool Tricks and Funny Stuff*.

In addition to presenting his own headliner show on casino, cruise ship and theater stages, Linn has been the featured comedy act for productions such as Comic Relief-Detroit, Las Vegas-Live! and the Showboat Branson Belle.

Doors open at 6:15 p.m. and the performance begins at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$12 for individuals or \$10 for seniors or students. Family rates are available. Tickets can be purchased in advance in uptown Grayling, at Riverland or at the door.

For more information on this performance or a schedule of the upcoming series, call Riverland at 989-344-0047.

This entertainment series is presented by the Grayling Promotional Association in partnership with area businesses and corporations, a grant from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the Michigan Humanities Council.

K of C to sponsor Youth Free Throw Championship

Boys and girls, ages 10 to 14, are invited to participate in the local level of competition for the 2009 Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship on Saturday, Jan. 10, at 3:30 p.m. at the Grayling Middle School gym.

The Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship is sponsored annually, with winners progressing through local, district and state competitions. International champions are announced by the K of C international headquarters based on scores from the state-level competitions. All boys and girls 10 to 14 years old are eligible to participate and will compete in their respective age divisions. Last year, more than 151,000 sharpshooters took

part in over 3,100 local competitions.

All contestants on the local level are recognized for their participation in the event. Participants are required to furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or additional information, contact Marlyn Neuberger at 989-390-5846.

The Knights of Columbus is an international Catholic family fraternal service organization with nearly 1.7 million members in over 13,000 local councils. Last year, the Knights donated 60 million volunteer hours and \$143 million to charitable and benevolent causes and sponsored projects to benefit their church, their councils, communities, families and youth.

Raffle Winners

Grayling Youth Booster Club

The 50/50 raffle winners for Jan. 4 of \$25 each: Maureen McNamara, Mike Higgins and Jim Brown.

Grayling Lions Club

The winner of the Grayling Lions Club Lucky 13 raffle for Jan. 2 was Laurie Siebert.



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The Bible Speaks

Can God Fail?

As we come to the conclusion of the doctrinal section of Romans, God deals with some of the human objections which may be raised beginning in Romans 8:31: "31What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?" In the preceding context we studied God's way, will, and work in our prayers in Romans 8:26-28. We don't know how to pray as we ought to so the Holy Spirit prays God's will into our lives resulting in the promise: "28And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."

Then in Romans 8:29 God stated His purpose in saving us: "29For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren." God foreordained us and predestinated us to be conformed to the image of his Son for the future glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Then in Romans 8:29,30 God also revealed the five sovereign steps of His eternal plan to fulfill His purpose of conforming us to the image of His Son. First, God foreknew us in

His infinite wisdom, love, and grace from eternity past. Second, God predestinated us to be conformed to the image of His Son, to be adopted as His children, (Ephesians 1:5), to an eternal inheritance. (Ephesians 1:11). Third, God called us by His grace. (Romans 8:30a). Fourth, God justified us. (Romans 8:30b). And Fifth, God declared us already glorified even before the future event takes place at the return of Jesus Christ. (Romans 8:30c).

Since God has already made every past, present, and future provision for our salvation through the finished work of Jesus Christ, is there any possibility God can fail to do what He has promised in Holy Scripture? "31What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?" For God to fail in our salvation He would have to be outsmarted, outmaneuvered, overpowered, or change His mind. Can anyone alter God's prayer for our good? Can anyone alter God's purpose to conform us into the image of His Son? Can anyone alter God's eternal plan promising our future glorification?

No one can outsmart God. Psalm 147:5 says, "Great is our Lord, and of great power: his understanding is infinite." Infinite means unlimited.

No one can out maneuver or surprise God because He is omnipresent. Read Psalm 139:7-18. God is everywhere present. God is omnipotent. He is the source of all power in the universe. "God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this; that power belongeth unto God." (Psalm 62:11). "He ruleth by his power for ever..." (Psalm 66:7a). Jeremiah 32:17 says of God: "...there is nothing too hard for thee." Romans 13:1 reminds us: "...there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God." Since God is all wise, everywhere present, and all powerful, could He ever change His mind? "29For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance." (Romans 11:29). God is immutable or unchangeable. "5That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God." (1 Cor. 2:5). "7But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellency of the power may be of God, and not of us." (1 Cor. 4:7). "If God be for us, who can be against us?" God can't fail! Pastor "B"

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Obituaries



Judith P. Sherbert

Judith (Judy) Puckett Sherbert, 70, passed away on December 28, 2008, while on vacation in California.

Even though her death was quite unexpected, she was recently being treated for pancreatic cancer.

She was born in Evansville, Ind.

She lived in several communities over her lifetime, including Olmsted Falls, Ohio, Rochester, Yardley, Pa., Grayling, and Evergreen, Colo., where she was always active in education, church, community activities and antiques.

Her life included many years of teaching English, along with many other subjects at the elementary, junior high and high school levels. Library science was her most recent endeavor before retiring from teaching for her third time.

She was dearly loved by her immediate family, her students and her extended family of many many many friends and she will be greatly missed.

She is survived by her loving husband of 48 years, Norm/Ron of Evergreen, Colo.; sons and daughters-in-law Ronald Roe and Celeste Sherbert of Aurora, Colo., Ty and Debra Sherbert of Temecula, Calif., Brett and Rochelle Sherbert of Highlands Ranch, Colo.; seven wonderful loving grandchildren: Ryan and Marilinda Sherbert, Lindsay, Katie, Bay, Brynn, Ellie, and Cy Sherbert; two brothers and sisters-in-law Terry and Cathy Puckett of Las Vegas, Nev., and Kim B. and Jean Puckett of Newhall, Calif.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Albert B. and Christine Puckett of Indianapolis, Ind.

A memorial service to celebrate her life will be held at the Evergreen Lutheran Church on Saturday, Jan. 17, 2009, at 1 p.m. The church is located between Evergreen and Conifer at 5980 Highway 73, Evergreen, CO 80439.

Contributions, in lieu of flowers, may be made to either: Riley Children's Hospital Foundation, 30 South Meridian Street, Suite 200, Indianapolis, IN 46204-3509, 1-877-867-4539, www.rileykids.org. Acknowledge: Judith P. Sherbert; or The Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, 214 1 Rosecrans Avenue, Suite 7000, El Segundo, CA 90245, 1-877-272-6226, www.pancan.org. Acknowledge: Judith P. Sherbert.



Gerald C. Terry, Sr.

Gerald C. Terry, Sr., 89, passed away on December 27, 2008.

He was a World War II veteran and a retired Sergeant Major in the Michigan National Guard.

He is survived by his wife, Marian; children: Sharon, Linda Sharp, Marian Macauley, Gerald C. Jr., William and Pete; eight grandchildren, two step-grandchildren; eight great-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and sister, Eleanor McKenzie.

A funeral service was held at the R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home in Livonia.

Condolences may be sent to www.rggrharris.com.

Arrangements made by R.G. & G.R. Harris Funeral Home, Livonia.

Charles D. Wright

Charles Donald Wright, of Grayling, passed away on December 23, 2008.

He was born in Ann Arbor, on February 14, 1925, to the late Harold and Amanda (Hymendinger) Wright.

He married Catherine Jewell on July 28, 1989.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II. He earned a Purple Heart and the Bronze Star for injuries suffered in battle.

He worked in the Ann Arbor Public School System for 32 years.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine; 14 children: Richard, Connie, Cathy, Carl, Donald, Darrell, Chuck, Ranae, Betty, Gary, Robert, Patricia, Debbie and Jeffery; and many grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by two sons, Donald and Michael.

A funeral service was held on December 30, at W. L. Case & Company, 4480 Mackinaw Road in Saginaw.

Interment was at Eastlawn Memorial Gardens.

Arrangements made by Case Funeral Home, Saginaw.

Clara A. Kozlowski

Clara A. (Gulik) Kozlowski, 90, of Roscommon, passed away on December 29, 2008.

A funeral service was held on January 3 at St. Michaels Catholic Church in Roscommon.

Arrangements made by Walsh Funeral Home, Roscommon.

Births

Jennifer and Gary Brezany, of Grayling, announce the birth of their son, Tyler Deaune, born at Mercy Hospital on December 25, 2008, at 12:15 p.m., weighing 8 lbs., 1 oz., and measuring 20 3/4 inches in length.

Card of Thanks

Thank you to the doctors and nurses of Grayling Mercy Hospital.

From the family of Shirley Linendoll

Ben Smallwood

Ben Smallwood, 78, of Grayling, formerly of Birmingham, passed away on January 2, 2009.

He was born in Pikeville, Ky., on September 1, 1930, to the late Monroe and Millie Smallwood.

He served in the U.S. Army as a sergeant, with overseas duty in Germany. He married the former Catherine Vinnie Smith on March 28, 1952, in Birmingham.

He worked as a Fleet Manager at the Birmingham Post Office for 34 years.

He was a life member of VFW Post #2645 of Southfield. He served on the Boy Scout Regional Committee for District #5 of Detroit.

He is survived by his wife, Catherine of 56 years; sons: Dale (Sandy) Smallwood of Fla., Mark Smallwood of Grayling, Jim (Kim) Smallwood of Burton; daughters: Sherry (Tom) Graziano of Grayling, Mary (Mark) Montbriand of Freeland, Amy Smallwood of Grayling; 15 grandchildren; 14 great-grandchildren; sisters, Fern Webb of Ky., Audrey Mullins of Ky.; and brother, Roy (Sue) Smallwood of Ky.

He was preceded in death by his brothers: Aubrey, Marvin and Creed Smallwood; and sister, Melster Hampton.

A funeral service was held on January 6, 2009, at the First United Methodist Church of Birmingham, with Dr. Jack Hamish officiating.

Interment was at Greenwood Cemetery in Birmingham.

Condolences may be sent to www.sorensonlockwood.com.

Arrangements made by Sorenson-Lockwood Funeral Home and Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors of Clawson.

Sheriff's Report

Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield reports his office handled the following 78 complaints the week of Dec. 29 - Jan. 4.

One EMS response, one suicide, 17 general non-criminal complaints, one hazardous-spill, leak, power line, three false alarm activations, four assault/intimidation/stalkings, three larcenies, one larceny-theft, one damage to property, one obscenity/material/communication, one liquor law violation, one minor possess/consume/purchase attempt, one disorderly conduct, seven public peace/disorderlies, one operating while intoxicated, two conservations, two miscellaneous arrests, 14 traffic accidents, one accident-non-traffic, one parking violation, one accident-all other, one drug overdose, three family troubles-domestic, two suspicious situations, six driving violations/driving while license suspended and one driving on revoked/suspended license.

Sheriff Wakefield asks, "Do you know where your children are? Please remember, our children are our future."

For more information, log on to www.crawford-sheriff.org.

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Christian Science Society
209 First St. - Suite 103 - Gaylord
(989) 732-7001
Sunday Service 10:30 am
April through October
2nd & 4th Wednesday 7 pm
Sunday School 10:30 am

Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church
Pastor: Dr. William A. Cargo
400 Michigan Ave. - (989) 348-2974
www.mmm-umc.org - Barrier Free
Traditional Service 9 am
Coffee Hour 10 am
Sunday School (preschool-3rd grade) 11 am
Adult Sunday School 10 am
Praise & Worship Service 11 am
(Childcare Available)

Seventh Day Adventist
Pastor: David Jorgensen
(989) 348-1909
Services held Saturday at Camp Ausable
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camp entrance)
Saturday Church Service 9:30 am
Saturday Sabbath School 10:30 am
Tuesday Prayer Meeting 7 pm

Lovells Community Chapel
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Pastor: Larry Hankins
8133 Bald Hill Rd. - Lovells
(989) 348-2701
Sunday School (youth & adult) 10 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Web Prayer & Bible Study 7-8 pm

Grayling Free Methodist
Pastor: Rick Secord
6652 M-72 West - (989) 348-9093
Early Service 8:30 am
Sunday School 10 am
Morning Service 10:30 am
Prayer Meeting (Wednesday) 7 pm

Emma Lowery United Church of Christ
3474 West Park Road, Luzerne
Sunday Worship 11 am
Adult & Youth Sunday School 9:30 am

Heritage Baptist
Pastor: Ernie Wagner - (989) 348-1411
heritagebaptist-grayling.org
1841 Hartwick Pines Rd.
(1/4 mile west of I-75)
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm

Grayling Assembly of God
Pastor: John Wojdan
701 S. I-75 Business Loop
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Morning Worship 10:30 am
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Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study 7 pm

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Sunday Morning Worship 11 am
Sunday Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday Bible Study 7 pm

Burning Bush Tabernacle
Pastor: Patricia Petrie - (989) 348-1278
501 E. Michigan Ave., Grayling
Sunday School 10 am
Sun. Service, Children's Church & Youth Service 11 am
Sunday Evening Service 6 pm
Monday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm
Friday Prayer Meeting 7 pm
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Community of Christ
Pastor: Ann Doty
North Down River Rd. at
1030 Glen Rd. - (989) 348-9751
Church School 9:45 am
Preaching 11 am
Midweek Service Prayer 7 pm

St. Mary's Roman Catholic Community
Pastor: Robert W. Nalley, J.V.
Parish Office - 707 Spruce
(989) 348-7657
Saturday Evening Masses 4:30 pm
Sunday Masses 10 am

St. Francis Episcopal
Reverend: Elizabeth Chace
M-72 West - Office (989) 348-5850
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Eucharist (Wed.) 8:30 am
Sunday Holy Eucharist 8:30 & 10:30 am

Resurrection Life Center
Pastor: Bud & Debbie Mann
Mail: 2640 M-72 West Grayling, MI 49738
reshlifecenter.com
Phone: (989) 348-1000
Sunday Service 10:30 am
Midweek Services (Wed) 7 pm
E-mail: reshlifefellowship@hotmail.com

Mt. Hope Lutheran Church (LCMS)
905 N. I-75 Bus. Loop
(at junction of M-93 & Old 27)
(989) 348-5921
Saturday Evening Worship Service 7 pm
Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am
Sunday School 9:15 am

Calvary Baptist Church
Pastor: Dr. Robert Barnett
M-72 West, Grayling - (989) 348-9220
Sunday School 9:45 am
Morning Worship 10:30 am
Evening Worship 6 pm
Wednesday 7 pm
Prayer & Awana Club (Wed.) 7 pm

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Abundant Life Tabernacle
Pastor: Lyle Studer
211 Shellenbarger St. - (989) 348-5325
Sunday School 10 am
Sunday Worship 11 am & 6 pm
Wednesday Evening 7 pm

Grayling Baptist Church
Affiliated with S.B.C.
Pastor: John Scott
705 Madison St., Grayling - (989) 348-2557
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Morning Worship 11 am
Evening Service 6 pm
Wednesday Service 7 pm

Bear Lake Christian
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Sunday School 9 am
Bible Study (Wed.) 7 pm
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Tue. Women's Bible Study 10 am
Wed. Men's Bible Study Noon

Grayling Valley Church of God
Pastor: Gary Thompson
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Sunday Service 6 pm

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Popularity of alternative heating solutions on the rise

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selling these products. For many residences, heating large areas using an electric heater can translate to big savings.

Nonetheless, Elmy cautioned that the savings over propane or natural gas using any alternative heating solution will not be significant in all homes. This can depend on factors like the size of the home, the quality of insulation and the desired temperature.

However, Elmy said that most of the customers she meets are looking to try something new.

"Most of the time they're looking for a way (to save)," Elmy said.

While space heaters have only recently become a viable home heating alternative, outdoor wood burners have always been a popular choice among Crawford County residents who are willing to put in a little work.

According to advocates of this solution, outdoor wood burners attached to the sides of homes provide an effective heating alternative while avoiding some of the safety risks associated with an indoor wood stove.

The major drawback is that the homeowner must be dedicated to keeping the furnace fueled throughout the winter, which is generally a daily process.

Lastly, corn burning stoves are popular among advocates of biofuels, although fluctuating market prices make this a less sure-fire solution than other alternatives. These stoves are heated by clean burning corn pellets. For those who feel that biofuels are the wave of the future, this might be a wise alternative.

"I think that people are beginning to wake up and realize that we cannot be as dependent as we are on oil and oil products," Elmy said.

"Christmas Charity Challenge" collects for local food banks



Pictured above is Manager John Ward with the food collected at the North Central Area Credit Union Grayling Branch.

From Nov. 11 through Dec. 12, North Central Area Credit Union collected canned and dry foods for their community food banks through their "Christmas Charity Challenge." North Central Area branches, in Grayling, Houghton Lake, Roscommon and Standish, plus the administration building which is also located in Houghton Lake,

together collected 17,450 items to be delivered to local food pantries in each of their areas.

With friendly competition, the top performer was the Standish branch with 6,117 items. They received an additional \$500 from the credit union to donate to their cause. The other four branches received an additional \$100 for each community.

Shine light on seasonal depression

Are you dreading this winter already? Do you feel like crawling into bed with a package of cookie dough, pulling the covers over your head and not coming out until spring?

Plenty of people feel the same way. University of Wisconsin health psychiatrist Dr. Nancy Barklage says that nearly 25 percent of people who live at northern latitudes suffer from at least some symptoms of SAD, the depression that hits during the darkest times of the year. Besides depression, symptoms include low energy levels, overeating, a craving for carbohydrates, weight gain, an increased need for sleep and a lack of interest in sex and in socializing.

Dr. Barklage, associate professor of psychiatry at University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health, specializes in treating patients with the disorder. She says that about eight percent of us have full-blown SAD and another 17 percent have a milder version with some of the symptoms, especially carbohydrate craving, decreased energy and increased need for sleep.

"That means that about one in four people are affected," she said.

Fortunately, since the disorder was documented in the 1980s, an effective treatment regimen has been established.

"The treatment of choice is light therapy," Barklage said. "I was initially skeptical that it would work, but I have been very impressed with the results."

Researchers once thought that winter's short days were to blame and so they advocated light therapy before sunrise to extend the length of the day. Since then, Barklage said, research has shown that it is the intensity of light that is important.

For light therapy to work, the light needs to penetrate the retina. Barklage often recommends that patients with SAD begin their morning under a bright light, to energize them for the day ahead.

"I have a lot of patients who have their full-spectrum light next to their

beds," she said. "They roll over, turn off the alarm and turn on the light. It also helps them to wake up."

Timing of the light treatment is important. Too much light too late in the day can be too stimulating, making it difficult to fall asleep. She recommends afternoon light only if patients find themselves coming home from work and falling asleep right away.

"It can change circadian rhythms and reset your sleep clock," she said. "Bright light in the morning resets the sleep onset, allowing people to fall asleep earlier. Bright light late in the day will keep you up later."

She tells patients to get a bright light with at least 10,000 LUX, a white light that includes the full-spectrum light minus the ultraviolet, which can harm eyes and skin. Going outside on a sunny winter day helps, too, as long as you protect your eyes and skin from ultraviolet light.

Barklage is less willing to recommend blue lights, which are being marketed for SAD treatment, because there is concern they may damage the eyes. More research is needed, she said. Tanning beds aren't recommended because the ultraviolet light they give off can cause skin cancer and damage the eyes.

In patients who don't fully recover their energy with light therapy, she sometimes prescribes anti-depressants.

So an investment in full-spectrum lights might, for at least a quarter of the population, make as much good sense as investing in a snow blower.

"People can suffer from SAD all the way into March, April and even into May if we have a dark spring," she said.

But hating winter doesn't necessarily mean you have SAD. It could just mean that you accurately remember the long winter of 2007-2008 that set snowfall records from Colorado to Maine.

"I have never heard so many people say they are dreading winter," Barklage said. "It was such a brutal winter last year, it's like people never really recovered."

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Senior Citizen News

Join us for a meal either at noon or 5 p.m. weekdays, except Friday, when there is no evening meal. Soup or salad bar served prior to the meal Monday through Thursday.

This week's menu (lunch/dinner) and activities:

Friday, Jan. 9 - Lunch-baked meat loaf, green beans, carrots and pineapple. No Dinner. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes, 12 p.m. Frederic and Maple Forest Satellite Meal, 1 p.m. Pantry Bingo.

Saturday, Jan. 10 - Foot clinic, cost is \$15. Call 821-5428 for an appointment and bring your own towel.

Monday, Jan. 12 - Lunch - beef goulash, corn, cauliflower and mixed fruit. Dinner - chicken and dumplings, green beans, sliced beets and mandarin oranges. 1 p.m. Bridge.

Tuesday, Jan. 13 - Lunch - baked ham with apple glaze, baked beans, potato salad and an apple. Dinner - pepperoni pizza, Italian

blend vegetables, pineapple and peaches. 10 a.m. Tone and Tubes and Bible Study, 1 p.m. Euchre, 4 p.m. - 5 p.m. blood pressure/sugar checks.

Wednesday, Jan. 14 - Lunch - BBQ meatballs, mashed potatoes, peas, pineapple and California blend vegetables. Birthday Dinner - lasagna, green beans, winter blend vegetables, oranges and grapefruit and cake and ice cream cookies. 11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Rummage Sale, 1 p.m. pool league, 5 p.m. Birthday Dinner, 5:30 p.m. Cards.

Thursday, Jan. 15 - Lunch - cheddar chicken rice casserole, Brussels sprouts, mixed vegetables and mandarin oranges. Dinner - turkey pot pie, winter blend vegetables and pears. 10 a.m. craft class, 2 p.m. UNO Attack.

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Center is located at 308 Lawndale, behind Burger King in Grayling. Walk-ins are welcome.

Czech, Jansen engaged



Carey Czech and Kevin Jansen

Mr. and Mrs. David Jansen, of Grayling, announce the engagement of their son, Kevin Jansen, to Carey Czech of Farmington Hills.

Carey is the daughter of Dave and Brenda Czech of Farmington Hills. She is a graduate of Mercy High School in Farmington Hills and a graduate of Albion College. She is currently

employed by Oakland Schools in Waterford.

Kevin is the son of Dave and Elaine Jansen of Grayling. He is a graduate of Grayling High School and Michigan State University. He is currently employed by Warner Pacific Insurance Company in Southfield.

A June 2009 wedding is planned.

46th Circuit Trial Court

Sentencings for December 2008

Hon. Janet M. Allen

Dale Charles Burpee, age 21 of Grayling - Plead no contest on Nov. 3, 2008, to breaking and entering with intent; sentenced on Dec. 1, 2008, to serve 330 days in jail with credit for 33 days served; ordered to pay \$300 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee, \$60 crime victim rights fee and \$60 state minimum costs; placed on probation for 24 months.

Hon. Dennis F. Murphy

Toshia Marie Butts, age 23 of Vanderbilt - Plead guilty on Nov. 6, 2008, to check non-sufficient funds \$100-\$500; sentenced on Dec. 4, 2008, to pay \$300 circuit court costs, \$350 attorney fee, \$45 state minimum costs and \$40 crime victim rights fee; placed on probation for 12 months with no objection to early discharge if all probation conditions are fulfilled.

Library News

The Devereaux Memorial Library will present Larry Meyer as "The Cheap Chef" on Tuesday, Jan. 13, at 6:30 p.m. Learn to eat happy, feel healthy and save money at this free cooking demonstration that tastes great and is less filling.

Included in this program will be tips on how to help feed your family on a tight budget and still eat healthy. You can also sample some of Chef Meyer's dishes. For additional information, call Jane at 989-348-9214, ext. 205.

Area Events

Traverse City - Join the Grand

Traverse Conservation District for a new program at the Boardman River Nature Center called Peepers. This fun and educational program is designed to foster the exploration of nature in preschoolers (ages 3-5). They will explore nature and seasonal nature themes with experienced early childhood educators and naturalists. Each morning will include indoor and outdoor activities - so dress for the weather. Peepers will begin on Jan. 13 and will take place every Tuesday from 10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

through May 26. Parents can sign their preschooler up for the entire season or drop in any Tuesday morning along the way. The weekly themes will be: Jan. 13 - snow, Jan. 20 - footprints and Jan. 27 - trees in winter. A full program description and schedule can be found at www.NatureIsCalling.org or by calling 231-941-0960. The Nature Center is located at 1450 Cass Rd., just 1.5 miles south of South Airport Rd. in Traverse City.

The fee is \$3 per child per session or \$45 for the entire season.

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Vikings place 3rd, 4th in holiday wrestling tournaments

Grayling High School's varsity wrestling team placed third and fourth in two separate tournaments held during winter break.

The Vikings took fourth out of nine teams at the Rogers City Super Dual Team Tournament on Dec. 27. Grayling posted a 3-2 record at the event.

The Vikings defeated Sault Ste. Marie (46-34), Whittemore Prescott (54-21), and Rogers City (48-30). Grayling lost to Gladstone (43-36) and Alpena (39-36).

Cody Collen won all of his matches for GHS.

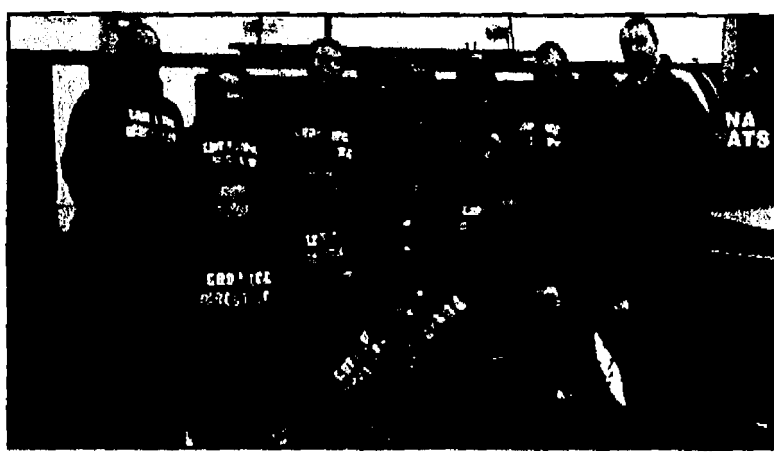
On Tuesday, Dec. 30, the Vikings posted a 3-2 record in the eight-team Alpena Team Tournament.

Grayling posted wins vs. Charlevoix (66-12), Cheboygan (72-6), and Sault Ste. Marie (40-28). The Vikings lost to Alpena (42-27) and Rogers City (40-36).

Grayling brought home the tournament's third place trophy.

Collen and Josh Moggo went undefeated for the Vikings at Alpena.

The team will wrestle at Boyne City on Thursday, Jan. 8.



The GHS wrestling team celebrates its third place finish at Alpena.

Grayling Youth Wrestling Club

The Grayling Youth Wrestling Club (grades K-8) hosted its first meet of the season on Saturday, Jan. 3.

"We had 42 wrestlers compete against 11 other teams. I am very proud of how our kids wrestled. We finished in second place overall as a team," Coach Larry Duvall said.

Placements for Grayling included (name, weight, place): Gavin Dannenburg (40), 3rd; Zachary Duncan (37), 1st; Deacon Myers (46), 2nd; Travis Phipps (61), 2nd; Parker Dole (58), 3rd; Conner Brill (77), 2nd; Harley Duncan (46), 3rd; Jacob Kolka (77), 4th; Jensyn Moggo (67), 3rd; Ashdon Terrien (77), 3rd; Kody Dole (71), 5th; Kaden Brigham (80), 1st; Logan

Duvall (heavyweight), 1st; Devin Joseph (95), 3rd; Jonathan Martin (59), 3rd; Michael Phipps (85), 4th; Zack Cheney (90), 3rd; Aaron Hagle (75), 3rd; Zachary Joseph (heavyweight), 1st; Daniel Schultz (85), 4th; Tandy Mitchell (75), 2nd; Gage Toomey (80), 1st; Jeff Enos (170), 2nd; Ty Jensen (125), 1st; Zachary Mack (95), 1st; Jeff Myers (182), 5th; Kyle Schmidt (85), 1st; Devin Stephan (95), 3rd; Brandon Handrich (138), 1st.

"If the kids keep up their hard work, we will have a great season," Coach Duvall said. "Out of 42 kids we had 29 medal winners."

The team will compete in a tournament at Essexville on Saturday, Jan. 10.

Kirtland Basketball

Women's team - Five Firebirds scored in double digits as the Kirtland Community College women's basketball team dominated visiting Mott Community College for an 84-71 conference win at the McGregor Athletic Complex in Mio on Saturday, Jan. 3.

"Everyone is contributing in one way or the other," said Kirtland head coach Tom Ritter. "We're not just playing well for one half. We're getting a full 40 minutes from every player."

Kirtland controlled the action for most of the game, using a strong defensive effort to trigger a balanced offensive attack. The Firebirds led 42-33 at half-time and built leads of 20 or more points in the second half.

"Defense wins again," Ritter added.

Sophomore guard-forward Jo'ell Cruse (Inland Lakes/Indian River) helped lead the charge for the host Firebirds, scoring a team-

high 22 points to go with seven rebounds, one steal and one assist. Cruse tallied 15 points in the second half, including a three-pointer with 11:39 remaining that gave Kirtland a 21-point advantage, 63-42.

Every Kirtland cager who played scored. Freshman point guard Kassie McConnell (Clare) had a solid all-around game with 20 points, four assists, three steals and two rebounds. McConnell used her ability to penetrate and break down the Bears' defense to get to the free-throw line, where she converted 9 of 10 attempts.

Kirtland also received contributions from its front line, with sophomore forward Brooke Robinson (Standish-Sterling Central) tallying 12 points, three boards, two steals and one assist before fouling out. Sophomore forward-center Whitney Bonham (Ewart) chipped in a double-double with 11 points and a team-high 10 rebounds, as well as handing out one

assist.

"It's somebody different every night," Ritter added. "The balance is much more consistent than in the past."

Men's team - The head coach of the Kirtland Community College men's basketball team praised his team after a home game at the McGregor Athletic Complex in Mio on Saturday, Jan. 3, despite the fact the host Firebirds lost to the Mott Community College Bears, 59-37.

"I'm proud," said Kirtland head coach Ty McGregor, referring to his team's intense defensive effort against the reigning National Junior College Athletic Association Division II national champions. "I never thought I'd lose by 20 points and be proud."

"Who would have thought we would have held the national champions to 59 points and lose?" he added. "But when you score only 37 points, it makes it hard."

The visiting Bears (11-3 overall, 2-0 conference)

seemed poised to run away from the Firebirds early on, building a double-digit advantage midway through the first half. In the first 10 minutes of play, Mott held Kirtland (3-9 overall, 0-3 conference) to just six points.

But, in what was to become a defensive battle, the Firebirds rallied to close the gap to 31-19 at the break. The two Michigan Community College Athletic Association Eastern Division rivals each scored just 18 points in the second half.

Sophomore guard Nick Simpson (Bay City All Saints) was the only Firebird to reach double figures Saturday, tallying 16 points and a team-high nine rebounds against Mott.

"We only turned the ball over once in the second half," he added. "That's been a problem for us this year."

For more information on Kirtland athletics, visit online at firebirds.kirtland.edu or call 989-275-5000, extension 385.

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Ball Busters . . . 5 - 7
Tim's Collision . . . 4 - 8
5 B's . . . 3 - 9
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High Series: B. LaMotte, 553; T. Hellebuyck, 515; C. Wyatt, 505. High Game: B. LaMotte, 201; M. Kroell, 200; C. Clark, 193.

Friday Mixed Doubles
Fred's of Rosco . . . 12 - 2
Last Call . . . 9 - 5
Legion . . . 9 - 5
Canadian Steak . . . 7 - 7
L & L Hauling . . . 7 - 7
McDonald's . . . 5 - 9
Double Trouble . . . 5 - 9
Miller Spillers . . . 2 - 12
High Series Women: S. Johnson, 486; J. Dent, 483; P. Younglove, 477. High Game Women: M. Cole,

187; J. Dent and P. Younglove, 177. High Series Men: P. Benardo, 608; J. Campbell, 566; G. Mastroeni, 535. High Game Men: P. Benardo, 225; J. Campbell, 202.

Thursday Morning Coffee Misfits . . . 31 - 21
Three Amigos . . . 30 - 22
Bill's Harem . . . 29 - 23
Casino Bums . . . 27 - 25
Rosebuds . . . 26.5 - 25.5
Snow Tops . . . 26.5 - 25.5
Pin Slayers . . . 24 - 28
Ladybugs . . . 14 - 38
High Series Women: I. Cosgray, 485; C. Clark, 465; B. Wotring, 439. High Game Women: B. Wotring, 201; P. Kennedy, 192; C. Clark, 177. High Series Men: B. Hollis, 488; E. Brosky, 487; P. Faustman, 480. High Game Men: P. Faustman, 191; B. Hollis, 180; B. Holton, 179.

Sunday Mixed Doubles

Team Shocker . . . 5 - 2
Hard Balls . . . 5 - 2
Salon Rue . . . 5 - 2
Spikes #2 . . . 5 - 2
Growlers . . . 2 - 5
GrayRock Cafe . . . 2 - 5
Spikes #1 . . . 2 - 5
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High Series Men: J. Thayer, 592; R. Sartin, 578; N. Mead, 523. High Game Men: R. Sartin, 222; J. Thayer, 209; N. Mead, 206. High Series Women: H. Lippard, 421; S. Mead, 406; L. Mead, 400. High Game Women: H. Lippard, 156; S. Moshier, 151; S. Mead, 145.

Senior League

Kicking Grass . . . 4 - 0
Bear's Den Pizza . . . 4 - 0
Gaylord Electric . . . 3 - 1
Flowers By Josie . . . 3 - 1
Sylvester's Sports . . . 1 - 3
Spike's . . . 1 - 3
Dana Transport . . . 0 - 4

Lone Pine . . . 0 - 4
High Series Women: H. Stairs, 529; C. Clark, 474; J. Williamson, 471. High Game Women: H. Stairs, 219; J. Williamson, 181; C. Clark, 170. High Series Men: P. Faustman, 570; D. Williamson, 553; B. Holton, 524. High Game Men: B. Holton, 226; L. Gillies, 203; P. Faustman, 200.

American Men's League
McNamara Ford . . . 19 - 9
Moore's Auto . . . 19 - 9
Sky Ripper . . . 18 - 10
McLean's Ace . . . 15 - 13
GADCO . . . 14 - 14
Fenton's Auto . . . 11 - 17
Dragon Repair . . . 9 - 19
High Series: J. Thayer, 615; T. Kotrash, 584; P. Benardo, 577. High Game: P. Benardo, 250; J. Thayer, 233; J. Arwood, 208.

Pool League

Women's Standings

Frederic Inn . . . 104

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Gray Rock . . . 68

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YEAR IN REVIEW

Happy New Year!

With 2008 at an end, the *Crawford County Avalanche* presents its annual Year In Review.

The Year In Review includes article summaries from stories featured in the *Crawford County Avalanche* during the 2008 calendar year. Article summaries are listed according to the newspaper

edition date in which the story appeared.

As cited in this year's Year In Review, the *Crawford County Avalanche* covered a variety of issues and events in the past 12 months, including the Grayling Charter Township Board's lawsuit against the City of Grayling with regard to administration of the fire department, the drug-related arrest of a former

Crawford County Sheriff's Department deputy and DARE officer, the April 24 wildfire that destroyed more than 1,300 acres, the Mainstreet America theme park proposal, a proposed ORV ordinance for Crawford County, the court case involving the county and the 46th Circuit Trial Court, the record-setting 61st AuSable River Canoe Marathon,

Grayling High School's winter, spring and fall sports, and more.

The 2008 Year In Review was published in two parts. This week's *Crawford County Avalanche* includes the months of July through December.

The months of January through June were featured in last week's *Crawford County Avalanche*.

| JULY |

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Michigan Supreme Court Justices refused to hear an appeal on the payment of attorney fees regarding civil litigation that pitted Crawford and Kalkaska Counties against the 46th Circuit Trial Court and Otsego County, despite the county's victory in the state's highest court in an eight-year legal battle with the courts regarding the payment of pensions and retirement medical benefits for court employees.

The Grayling Free Methodist Church became a host site for Angel Food Ministries, a nonprofit, non-denominational organization dedicated to providing food relief and contributing to benevolent outreaches in communities throughout the United States.

Hanson Hills officials, an engineering unit from Camp Grayling, a prison crew from Camp Lehman and community volunteers erected equipment for the new Hanson Hoppers Park located near the entrance of the recreational facility.

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The family of Gregory (Greg) Joseph Petrie planned to start a scholar-

ship in his memory to help Grayling High School graduates pursue their college education and career endeavors. Petrie, known for his kindness and his conviction to live life to the fullest despite suffering from epilepsy, died as the result of a drowning that occurred at Kalkaska County's Bear Lake at the age of 21.

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners authorized the Northwest Design Group, a Petoskey based engineering and consulting firm, to proceed with plans to make the Crawford County Courthouse building completely American Disabilities Act compliant. County officials plan to use money freed up from a Crawford County Jail expansion to pay for the building upgrades.

The Grayling Youth Booster Club placed hundreds of trout in the pond at the AuSable River City Park for the annual Fourth of July kids fishing contest. Logan Duval and Angela Thomson won new fishing poles for snagging the first fishes during the contest.

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Tim Riley entered the

2009 Iditarod, a renowned two-week dogsled race held in Alaska, known for traveling over 1,161 miles of rugged and rigorous terrain and exposing mushers and dogsled teams to extreme weather conditions. Tim, and his wife Michelle Riley, operate Dream Catcher Kennels, a small dogsled kennel located off of Wakeley Bridge Road, where they raise and train Siberian huskies.

Irv McIsaac, who was instrumental in starting the Grayling Booster Club, was selected to serve as the 2008 AuSable River Festival Parade's grand marshal.

U.S. District Court Judge David M. Lawson ruled that an environmental assessment conducted by the U.S. Forest Service, for a well proposed to be placed on federal land near the Mason Tract, to be inadequate. The Anglers of the AuSable, the Sierra Club and the family of George Mason, an auto executive who donated the Mason Tract land to the state on the condition that the land be left pristine in its natural form, filed the lawsuit against the U.S. Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management for approving the drilling per-

mit and the site operation plan for the well drilling.

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Andrew Triebold and Steve Lajoie, a team that won the 2004 AuSable River Canoe Marathon, finished first in the Spike's Challenge C-2 race.

The Crawford County Relay for Life raised over \$40,000 to help battle cancer at the annual event held at the Grayling High School.

AuSable Primary School students Anna Fisher, Elliot Engbers and Logan Trumble had their designs and lettering combined for the 2008 AuSable River Canoe Marathon kids T-shirt.

Alex Fedak, a Grayling graduate studying to work in the medical field, traveled to South Africa where she worked in HIV clinics, mentored homeless children and learned traditional medical practices.

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Andrew Triebold, of Spring Arbor, and Steve Lajoie, of Mirabel, Quebec, won the 2008 AuSable River Canoe Marathon, which had a record field of 76 teams for the 120-mile race from Grayling to Oscoda.

Mike Andersen, of



AuSable River Canoe Marathon champions
(July 31 edition)

Alpena, and Leslie Rains, of Okemos, were the first finishers for the Avita Water Black Bear Bicycle Tour, a 100 mile bike trip that started in Grayling and ended in Oscoda.

The Humvee Emergency Assistance Trainer (HEAT),

also known as the Humvee Emergency Egress Trainer, was utilized at Camp Grayling for the first time during Michigan Army National Guard training by simulating rollover accidents that occur on the battlefield.

| AUGUST |

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Nancy Hanson Wilcox-Karger, the great-granddaughter of Rasmus Hanson who made the creation of Camp Grayling possible, continued a family tradition of recognizing the troops during the Michigan National Guard's Memorial and Review, which ends the two week annual training at Camp Grayling.

Bob Hickey of Grayling scored two hole-in-ones while playing a round of golf with family and friends at Marsh Ridge Resort in Gaylord. One player making two hole-in-ones in the same round has a one in 67 million chance to achieve the feat, according to *Golf Digest*.

Colin Hunter was sworn into the State Bar of Michigan by his father, retired Crawford County District Court Judge John G.

Hunter. The ceremony was held in the Crawford County Circuit Court Room. 46th Trial Court Judges Dennis F. Murphy, Janet M. Allen, Patricia A. Morse and Michigan Court of Appeals Judge Alton T. Davis of Grayling also attended the proceedings.

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Crawford AuSable School Superintendent Joe Powers KO'd a Mixed Martial Arts event, called "Northern Michigan Combat Challenge I," that was slated to be held at the Grayling Middle School, because he said the event did not fit with the school district's "purpose and mission."

The staff at Charlie's Country Corner added a big bang to the Fourth of July weekend for some newlyweds, selling them a \$100,000 winning lottery ticket for the Michigan

Lottery's Deal or No Deal game.

About 30 motorcyclists, representing the Forgotten Eagles Chapter #3, which is part of a statewide POW/MIA veteran's awareness organization, rolled into Crawford County and held a memorial service for veterans at the American Legion Monument in front of the Crawford County Courthouse as part of their annual Ride Around Michigan. Another 60 bikers rolled through northern Michigan, raising money to support the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center and the Roscommon Food Bank, during a ride organized by Linda and Bob Krajewski, owners of the Swamp II Bar and Restaurant in Frederic and organizers for ABATE Regions #4 and #16.

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Michigan Department of Natural Resources Director Rebecca Humphries approved a memorandum which established the sale requirements for 1,800 acres of state land, located east of I-75 and north of Four Mile Road, for the Mainstreet America Inc. theme park. The state gave developers until Feb. 5, 2009, to secure all financing for the project and until Nov. 16, 2009, to secure all state, federal and environmental permits for the project.

Grayling teenager Kristina Comer organized a benefit softball tournament at Hanson Hills to raise funds to help Patricia Benardo and her family during their continued battle with cancer.

The Grayling City Council approved the resignation of City Police Chief Karl Schreiner after his 31 years of serving the commu-

nity.

The Watershed Art Project unveiled its Mystery Mural, which depicts a Kirtland's warbler singing in a jack pine and is located on the outside wall of Radio Shack Sights and Sounds, in downtown Grayling. The project was coordinated by muralist Terry Dickinson and Grayling wildlife artist Kim Diment. The Mystery Mural consists of 108 panels that, when assembled, created the 9' by 12' mural which was painted by 108 area amateur and student artists.

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The Crawford County United Way kicked off its 2009 Live United campaign with a kids fun day in the AuSable River City Park, encouraging local citizens to give, advocate and volunteer to help in the community.

Michigan State Police troopers returned a snubbed-

nosed revolver which slipped out of an ankle holster belonging to an elderly Burton man who stopped at the Four Mile Rest area located off of I-75 to use the rest room. A Berkeley man and his 7-year-old son found the handgun around 11:50 a.m. and contacted authorities.

About 150 classic cars and hot rods rolled into Grayling for the Old Historic U.S. 27 Motor Tour, which traveled from Coldwater to Cheboygan. Craig Parrish, a Lansing area car show promoter, is lobbying state and local officials from Michigan down to Florida to establish Old U.S. 27 as a Heritage route that will rival Route 66, enhance communities along the route and give businesses a boost.

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YEAR IN REVIEW

| SEPTEMBER |

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Grayling resident Lloyd Crawford took part in a ceremonial father-daughter dance at the wedding for Nicole Justice (formerly Nicole Schaaf) of Laingsburg. Crawford received the heart of Nicole's father, Karl Schaaf, on Jan. 6, 2001, after Schaaf died in an automobile accident. Crawford and the Schaaf family formed a long term organ donor-organ recipient relationship after the successful heart transplant. "It's just overwhelming that I've got this opportunity, but I would trade (Karl Schaaf) places in a minute," Crawford said.

The Grayling Promotional Association distributed about 200 American flags to area businesses to help show support for the country, the state and the 1,600 Michigan National Guard troops currently deployed in Afghanistan and Iraq to fight the global war on terrorism.

The Michigan Bike Festival, a four day event that took place at Hanson Hills, showcased Michigan's biking culture and featured day and night rides, mountain biking and road biking events as well as a BMX obstacle course.

Lionel Anthony Hines, 40, was sentenced to 23 months to four years of

additional prison time in Crawford County Circuit Court for making false accusations against a corrections officer at Camp Lehman. The case was handled by Crawford County Prosecutor John Huss and investigated by Detective Sgt. Tim Lenhard from the Houghton Lake Post of the Michigan State Police. Michigan Corrections Organization President Tom Tylutki, who represents more than 9,000 corrections and forensic officers around the state, said the case was the first time that a prisoner has been held accountable for this type of an attack on a corrections officer.

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St. Mary's Parish celebrated its 100th anniversary, taking a look at the history and current state of the parish. St. Mary's of Grayling became its own independent parish with Fr. Reiss designated as its first resident pastor in 1908. Three years ago, the parish completed a \$2 million expansion and renovation to their church building, more than doubling its size.

Senior Project Fresh, a program which provides vouchers to seniors to buy fruits and vegetables at farm markets and road side stands, and is run by the Crawford County Commission on Aging and

the Crawford County Michigan State University Extension office, boasted having a 97 percent redemption rate for the vouchers given to seniors, which was the highest rate in the state.

The Crawford County Historical Society held its second annual Elmwood Cemetery Tour to help residents keep in touch with historical figures that were laid to rest in the cemetery and who played prominent roles in the development of Grayling.

The City of Grayling's Planning Commission approved a special use permit allowing veteran Mike Hultgren to operate his business, Hultgren Sausage, as an in-home business in his Rose Street home. Hultgren makes brats, smoked meats and cajun style meats at his meat shop.

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The Crawford County Sheriff's Association, for the second year in a row, provided backpacks filled with school supplies to students to start the school year. A total of 18 students, attending the Grayling Middle School and the Grayling Elementary School, received the backpacks. Six additional backpacks were purchased to provide to students who may move to the community during the school year or

who experience a house fire.

Michigan Department of Natural Resources officials and developers for the Mainstreet America Inc. theme park planned south of Grayling agreed to scale back the amount of property requested for the development. Two parcels, totaling about 260 acres, were removed from the purchase request from Axiom Entertainment. State officials said they did not want to risk having the property, identified as an area for industrial and unspecified development, sold to a third party developer or entity and then have an enterprise unrelated to the theme park near the property.

The Crawford County Historical Society raised \$4,320 to hire Lacey Stephan Construction Inc. to replace the roof on the Crawford County Historical Museum building in downtown Grayling. The Grayling Promotional Association donated \$1,000 for the project and challenged the Grayling Rotary Club to do the same.

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Members of the Michigan National Guard's 3-238th Combat Support Aviation Battalion loaded, unloaded and delivered 2,000 MREs (meals ready-to-eat) to Hurricane Ike evacuees in



Michigan Bike Festival (Sept. 4 edition)

Ellington, Texas. Participants in the operation included Camp Grayling Airfield Commander Maj. John Koltvedt, Cpt. Trish Barker, Sgt. Aaron Orzel and SFC Brian Dick. In addition, two Michigan-based Black Hawk helicopters transported 25 emergency management workers to coastal and inland areas of Texas for damage assessment and recovery efforts.

The Crawford County Habitat for Humanity began work to build a new home on 505 Date St. in Grayling. The home, the 11th project for the Crawford County Habitat for Humanity volun-

teers, is expected to be completed in the summer of 2009.

The AuSable Free Clinic, a source of hope to many in Crawford and the surrounding counties who do not have access to medical care, named longtime clinic volunteer Dr. Douglas Slater as its new medical director. Slater replaced Dr. Lisa Harrington, who started as medical director when the clinic was founded in 2005.

The Crawford AuSable School Board of Education ratified two year contracts with unions representing the district's 250 employees.

| OCTOBER |

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A community emergency response team was formed to serve Crawford County through the Michigan State Police's Emergency Management and Home Security Division's Seventh District. The team will be called into action to assist police, firefighters or EMS with basic medical care, triage during mass casualty incidents, traffic control, search and rescue operations and to man emergency shelters and emergency operations centers.

Grayling resident Al Etson was recognized for donating his 32nd gallon of blood to the American Red Cross. Etson was pulled over by a Michigan State Police Trooper on I-75 and was asked to make an immediate donation, due to his rare blood type.

Mercy Hospital Grayling joined parent company Trinity Health in a new effort to transform health care in America. The Find a Way campaign encouraged business leaders, insurers, individuals, health care providers and lawmakers to find a way to reform health care in America.

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Three students, who had

guns in their vehicles discovered during a school-wide safety exercise at Grayling High School, were allowed to return to classes following a review by the Crawford AuSable School Board, school administrators and Crawford County Sheriff's Office officials. The rifles were discovered in the vehicles of the students by Michigan State Police K-9 handlers during a school lockdown exercise.

Downtown Grayling was alive with activity as area residents and visitors celebrated the Grayling Harvest Fest. The event featured an antique tractor show, hayrides, a farmer's market and a special presentation from the Northern Michigan Railroad Club.

"The Monarch," which was popularly considered to be the largest tree in the Hartwick Pines old-growth forest until lightning took off the top of the tree in 1992, toppled onto the forest floor.

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Denise DeMara, an emergency medical technician for Mobile Medical Response, returned to the community after providing a helping hand to Hurricane Gustav and Hurricane Ike

evacuees in Mississippi and Texas for just over a month.

46th Circuit Court Judge Janet M. Allen, after a two and a half hour hearing, denied a motion to dismiss two counts of controlled substance-delivery/manufacture marijuana for William John Bonkowski III, a former Crawford County Sheriff's Deputy and DARE officer. Jim Hunt, a defense attorney representing Bonkowski, argued that the use of a confidential informant and dealing with a chronic illness were reasons to dismiss marijuana dealing charges.

Amateur filmmaker Paul Wheeler just wrapped up principle photography on *The Haunted Monastery*, the third in a series of shorts based on the work of Anton Chekhov. All three films were shot in northern Michigan, including some in parts of Crawford County.

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The Friends of Hartwick Pines hosted 1,700 visitors for its annual "Critters in the Moonlight Halloween Walk," which was one of the largest crowds an event at the state park has seen on a single day.

A group of Grayling area residents were impaled to



Grayling Harvest Fest (Oct. 9 edition)

try to find common ground between the City of Grayling and Grayling Charter Township officials over a fire department dispute following a public hearing held by the Grayling Charter Township Board to discuss the future administration of the Grayling City/Township Fire Department.

Bill Holton was honored as "2008 Booster of the Year" for the Grayling Youth Booster Club. Holton received a clock plaque for his many years of dedication to the club and the youth of Crawford County.

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NOVEMBER

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The City of Grayling received an award from Keep Michigan Beautiful Inc., the official state organization to combat litter and promote beautification, for the \$1.3 million downtown streetscape project.

Janet Lockwood, the director of the Michigan Film Office, encouraged local business leaders at a presentation at Forest Dunes Golf Club to take advantage of the Michigan Motion Film Incentive program by creating a local film office and sound stage. The incentive was passed into law in 2007 and is currently the most lucrative incentive offered by any state in the nation.

The feeding and baiting ban for deer in Michigan's Lower Peninsula, implemented after a deer was found to have chronic wasting disease (CWD) on a Kent County deer breeding farm, took a bite into business for those who count on deer bait and feed sales just prior to firearm deer hunting season. Chronic wasting disease is a neurological

brain and nervous system disease found in deer and elk. The disease attacks the brains of infected deer and elk and produces lesions that result in death.

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Seven graduates of Grayling High School and one senior earned the designation of AP Scholar from the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college level Advanced Placement Exams. Only 18 percent of the more than 1.6 million high school students worldwide who took the exams performed at a sufficiently high enough level to merit the recognition of AP Scholar.

Aubrey Welch, from Aubrey's Barber Shop, was awarded the Col. Dennis D. Hull American Patriot Award during the 13th Annual Camp Grayling Joint Maneuver Training Center Retirement and Recognition Dinner. Welch was chosen to receive the award for his 46 years of service to soldiers in the Grayling area. He received the award from Col. Ron

Latuszek, the Camp Grayling commander.

Bernard Manning, 29 of Benzonia, was killed after being struck by a Lake State Railway Company train engine in Beaver Creek Township. Crawford County Sheriff Kirk A. Wakefield said Manning was lying head to toe across the tracks when he was struck by the train. Crawford County Sheriff's Deputies and medical examiner's personnel administered CPR and requested an ambulance since Manning was still breathing when they arrived, but he died a short time later at the scene.

Gerry Schroeder, founder of the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center, retired after directing and dedicating over 16 years of her life to the organization which helps needy families.

Staff at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library launched a new four-part program, designed to help teens take a stand against online harassment, called "Cyber Teen Revolution."

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A citizens group planned to meet with Grayling City Manager David Thayer and Grayling Charter Township Supervisor Terry Wright to hash out a resolution for a lingering lawsuit over Grayling City/Township Fire Department operations.

The Lovells Community Chapel, which was built and dedicated in 1948 near the north branch of the AuSable River, celebrated its 60th anniversary of being a spiritual presence in Lovells and the surrounding communities.

The 50th annual buck pole, held during the Orangecoot Roundup at Skip's Sport Shop, featured a total of 40 deer on the first two days of firearm deer hunting season. The first day of the buck pole, sponsored by the Camp Grayling Conservation Club, featured only 23 bucks due to rainy and snowy weather.

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Loren Goodale Jr., the owner of Goodale's Bakery, and his son, Loren Goodale III, planned to hold their annual Goodale family open house to allow area resi-

dents to view the family's Christmas Village and extensive collection of model trains. The family Christmas Village tradition dates back over two decades and was started by Goodale's mother, Caroline, who passed away in August 1999. Caroline collected ceramic buildings with a Christmas theme and believed that the holiday should be celebrated year-round instead of just one day a year.

The Verizon Foundation, which offers assistance, education and opportunities for personal growth to members of communities the company serves throughout the United States, donated \$7,500 to the AuSable Free Clinic. The grant will be used to purchase a television and DVD player for the AuSable Free Clinic's lobby, where patients can view educational videos about various ailments, illnesses and diseases. In addition, portable DVD players will be available in the free clinic's patient consultation rooms to view the same educational materials. The AuSable Free Clinic serves

uninsured and low income patients in Crawford, Montmorency, Roscommon and Oscoda counties.

Crawford County Board of Commissioners planned to revive a workgroup of local officials and trail users to study a proposed Crawford County ORV ordinance which would open up some county roads for ORV travel.

Justin Green, a Roscommon resident and Kirtland Community College automotive technology graduate, traveled to NASCAR's Sylvania 300 in Loudon, N.H. Green received the unique opportunity to get an up-close look at the fast-paced world of NASCAR courtesy of Speedway Illustrated magazine and Kirtland Community College. Green, an automotive technician at Scott McNamara Ford in Grayling, visited with Jeff Meendering, a Grand Rapids native and crew chief for Bobby Labonte's car, the No. 43 Cheerios/Betty Crocker Dodge, during his tour of the race track and facilities.

DECEMBER

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The Lovells Township Fire Department received a \$56,330 grant from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency through the Assistance to Firefighters program. The grant will be used to purchase six mobile 800 megahertz radios for fire trucks and ambulances, a dozen portable megahertz radios for firefighters and first responders and a base radio which will be kept at the Lovells Township Fire Department.

Grayling resident D.J. Brown's "Michigan State Tree" earned the most votes in the 2008 Grayling Promotional Association's Festival of Trees held at the Grayling Mini Mall.

Over 800 meals, including 437 home deliveries, were served at the 15th annual Crawford AuSable

Community Thanksgiving Dinner at Camp Grayling. Organizers also had a record number of volunteers who helped prepare, serve and deliver the meals.

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The Crawford AuSable School District started a school breakfast program called Grab and Go. Lunch room staff are stationed by the entrance of the school with bags of food on a cart. The bags contain granola bars, cereal bars, string cheese, bagels, yogurt, muffins and juice or milk. In just a month's time, participation has nearly doubled, from 50 students participating in the Grab and Go program to 100 students enjoying the quick and convenient meals.

The Crawford County Historical Society added Nancy Stone, Kim VanNuck, Karen Ayers and

Rosemary Nelson to its board of directors. The board is also moving forward with additional building renovations, including painting the building and replacing some rotten wood in the depot.

The Grayling Charter Township Board approved a mutual fire protection contract in hopes of settling its lawsuit with the City of Grayling over operations of the Grayling City/Township Fire Department. The contract approval came just days before the lawsuit settlement conference with 46th Circuit Trial Court Judge Dennis F. Murphy.

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A truck from Matthew's Mills Inc., a South Branch based company, spilled a load of logs near the intersection of the I-75 Business Loop and M-72 East. Nobody was hurt. Within minutes, local emergency

personnel responded by directing traffic around the accident and helping to facilitate the cleanup.

Grayling Charter Township officials held off on trashing the out of township recycling program for a month in order to give township and Crawford County officials time to find funding to keep recyclables out of the local landfill.

The Grayling community lost a resourceful businessman and dedicated community member in the form of Emil Kraus, who died on Dec. 14, 2008, at the age of 91. He is survived by his wife, Laurine Kraus. Kraus was born in Grayling in 1919 and spent his entire life dedicated to the community in which he was raised, serving as an attorney, probate judge and business owner.

Jennie Hatfield assumed the role of the director of the

Grayling Housing Commission. She took the place of Guy Quigley, the Grayling Housing Commission director for 25 years who retired in June due to medical issues. The Grayling Housing Commission owns, manages and maintains 88 public housing units in the City of Grayling. In addition, the Grayling Housing Commission operates the Section 8 Rental Assistance Program for very low income individuals within a 30 mile radius of Grayling. The program is funded through and monitored by the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development.

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The U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs began preparing to build an outpatient clinic in Grayling by 2010 to serve Crawford County and area veterans.

The Scouts and adult leaders of Grayling Boy Scout Troop #995 helped Hanson Hills prepare for the upcoming ski season by constructing shelving and racks to accommodate and organize equipment within the rental room at the lodge. They tackled three separate projects, including a rolling ski rack that will hold 54 sets of downhill skis, shelving for 42 pairs of downhill ski boots and a new and improved rack revamped to hold 180 pairs of ski poles.

Dozens of fourth graders at Grayling Elementary School teamed up to perform a play that might have taught some adults in the audience a thing or two about the current economy. The performance was directed by the Acting Up Theatre Company, which is spearheaded by local actors Chad Patterson and Natascha McCuan.

Legal Action

SYNOPSIS SOUTH BRANCH TOWNSHIP DECEMBER 30, 2008 SPECIAL BOARD MEETING UNAPPROVED

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.
Attending: Luck, Kozlowski, George, Janisse and Musselman.
Absent: None.
Pledge of Allegiance. No public comment.

Motion by Luck, and seconded by Musselman, to accept agenda as presented with additions. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Janisse, and seconded by Kozlowski, to rescind South Branch Township Ordinance No. 1. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Kozlowski, and seconded by George, to rescind South Branch Township Ordinance No. 9 & 9A. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Kozlowski, and seconded by Luck, to rescind South Branch Township Ordinance No. 10. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Motion by Kozlowski, and seconded by George, to pursue collection of two outstanding items by Ann Arbor Credit Bureau. Ayes: All. Nays: None. Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT; ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY SERVICE PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW.

ATTENTION POTENTIAL PURCHASERS AT FORECLOSURE SALE: In the case of resolution prior to or simultaneously with the aforementioned foreclosure sale, Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.) may rescind this sale at any time prior to the end of the redemption period. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited to the return of your bid amount tendered at the sale, plus interest.

Default having occurred in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by William H. Stubblefield and Karla D. Stubblefield, husband and wife, to Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.), dated July 9, 2001, and recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford in the State of Michigan on August 2, 2001, in Liber 0546, Page(s) 451, et. seq., on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due as of the date of this Notice the sum of \$73,782.86, which amount may or may not be the entire indebtedness owed by William H. Stubblefield and Karla D. Stubblefield, husband and wife, to Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.), together with interest at 9.50 percent per annum.

NOW THEREFORE, Notice is hereby given that the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative and that pursuant to that power of sale and MCL 600.3201 et. seq., on January 28, 2009 at 10:00 a.m., in the Lobby of the Courthouse in Grayling, Michigan, that being the place for

holding the Circuit Court and/or for conducting such foreclosure sales for the County of Crawford, there will be offered at public sale, the premises, or some part thereof, described in said Mortgage as follows, to wit:

LAND SITUATED IN THE TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH BRANCH, COUNTY OF CRAWFORD, STATE OF MICHIGAN, IS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

NORTH 1/2 OF LOT NUMBERED 25, MCNAMARA'S VALLEY SUBDIVISION, ACCORDING TO THE PLAT THEREOF, AS RECORDED IN LIBER 1 OF PLATS, PAGE 68, CRAWFORD COUNTY RECORDS.

which also includes any interest Green Tree Servicing LLC (f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.) may have in the 2000 Patriot Mobile Home, Serial Number LPP10867BAIN.

The redemption period shall be six (6) months from the date of sale unless the property is found to be abandoned pursuant to MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be the later of thirty (30) days from the date of sale or fifteen (15) days from the date the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(b) was posted and mailed.

BRANDT, FISHER, ALWARD & ROY, P.C.
Green Tree Servicing LLC
(f/k/a Conesco Finance Servicing Corp.)

By: DONALD A. BRANDT (P30183)
Attorneys for Mortgagee
1241 E. Eighth Street,
P.O. Box 5817
Traverse City, Michigan
49696-5817
(231) 941-9660

Dated: December 15, 2008

-25-1-8-15

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Matthew S. Beattie a/k/a Matt S. Beattie, a single man, original mortgagor(s), to JPMorgan Chase Bank, NA, Mortgagee, dated December 7, 2007, and recorded on December 17, 2007 in Liber 689 on Page 603, in Crawford county records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Chase Home Finance LLC as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Nine And 89/100 Dollars (\$45,809.89), including interest at 7% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on January 21, 2009. Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at the Northeast corner of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section

28, Town 28 North, Range 4 West, thence South on the 1/8 line, 400 feet to the point of Beginning, thence East 125 feet, thence South to North right of way line of Cameron Bridge Road; thence Northwesterly along said right of way line to a point directly South of the point of beginning, thence North to the point of beginning, being a part of the Northeast 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 28, Town 28 North, Range 4 West. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.
Dated: December 18, 2008
For more information, please call: FC S 248.593.1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #207111F02

-18-25-1-8

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.
MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a

mortgage made by Todd A. Gabriel and Kary J. Gabriel, husband and wife, original mortgagor(s), to Ameriquest Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated January 28, 2006, and recorded on February 13, 2006 in Liber 689 on Page 48, and assigned by said Mortgagee to Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for the registered holders of GSAMP Trust 2006-SD3 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-SD3 as assignee as documented by an assignment, in Crawford county records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Three Hundred Thirty Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Three And 18/100 Dollars (\$330,473.18), including interest at 6% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on January 28, 2009. Said premises are situated in Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: The Northwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4 of Section 34, Township 28 North, Range 4 West. The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.
Dated: December 25, 2008
For more information, please call: FC J 248.593.1311
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File #236734F01

-25-1-8-15

NOTICE OF SHOW CAUSE HEARING AND JUDICIAL FORECLOSURE HEARING for NON-PAYMENT OF PROPERTY TAXES

On March 1, 2008, real estate with **unpaid 2006 and/or prior years property taxes** was forfeited to the Crawford County Treasurer pursuant to the General Property Tax Act, Public Act 206 of 1893, PA 206, MCL 211.1 to 211.157, as amended.

The Crawford County Treasurer is acting as the Foreclosing Governmental Unit in proceedings to foreclose on properties for unpaid 2006 and/or prior property taxes.

There are **two hearings** scheduled to finalize the foreclosure process. This publication is intended to provide additional notice to parties of interest in these parcels as to the nature, time, and location of these hearings.

A Show Cause Hearing is scheduled for 9:00 A.M. January 19, 2009 at the Office of the County Treasurer, Crawford County Building, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738.

Any person with an interest in the property forfeited to the County Treasurer may appear at the Show Cause Hearing and redeem the property or show cause why absolute title to that property should not vest in the Foreclosing Governmental Unit.

A Judicial Foreclosure Hearing is scheduled for 8:45 A.M. February 2, 2009 at the Crawford County Building, Circuit Court Room, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI 49738.

At this hearing the Foreclosing Governmental unit shall ask that the court enter a judgment foreclosing property as requested in the petition for foreclosure. A person claiming an interest in a parcel of property set forth in the petition for foreclosure, who desires to contest that petition, **must file written objections** with the clerk of the 46th Circuit Court, and serve those objections on the Crawford County Treasurer as the Foreclosing Governmental Unit. The Docket number for the Petition is 08-7643-CZ.

If you are a person with an interest in property being foreclosed:

- You have the right to redeem this parcel from the foreclosure process by payment of all forfeited unpaid taxes, interest, penalties, and fees prior to the expiration of the redemption period. You should contact the Crawford County Treasurer for the amount required to redeem.
- You may lose your interest in the property as a result of the foreclosure proceeding.
- The title to the property shall vest absolutely in the Foreclosing Governmental Unit unless all forfeited unpaid delinquent taxes, interest, penalties and fees are paid by March 31, 2009.

PLEASE NOTE:

The following list represents parties that appear to have title, lien, or other apparent rights to the parcels being foreclosed by the Foreclosing Governmental Unit.

This notice is required to be given by law, even if the party no longer claims or desires an interest if it appears they hold any **undischarged, apparent, or potential** title or lien right to the property listed.

A listing of a party or person does **NOT** necessarily indicate that they are the owner of a parcel, or that they are liable for the property taxes.

This list is **NOT** an offering of property for sale. These parcels are **NOT** being sold, auctioned, or otherwise made available by virtue of this notice.

There is **no procedure** for purchasing these parcels from the Foreclosing Governmental Unit at this point in the foreclosure proceedings. Those parcels that are foreclosed and not redeemed **may** become available at **public auction** after July of 2009. **These parcels remain the property of the current owner** until redemption rights have expired. **No party or person should make any attempt to inspect or enter upon these parcels** assuming them to be for sale. This may constitute trespassing and subject the offender to criminal prosecution. The street address of the parcels listed is based upon local records and is not guaranteed to be the actual location of the property.

The **amount due** listed indicates the balance which was due as of March 1, 2008. The **current amount** required to redeem **must be obtained from the Crawford County Treasurer**, as additional penalties, fees, and interest have accrued since forfeiture.

NAME	PARCEL ID	TAX	NAME	PARCEL ID	TAX
ALLIANCE FUNDING, A DIVISION OF SUPERIOR BANK FSB	040-40-007-14-120-00	1020.95	LYON FINANCIAL SERVICES	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
ARTHUR D BAKER ESTATE	062-022-007-080-00	1080.87	LYON FINANCIAL SERVICES	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
BANK ONE	010-14-750-00-010-00	1024.80	LYON FINANCIAL SERVICES DBA US BANCORP MANIFEST	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25
BENAWAY & PAGELS P.C.	031-011-006-180-02	1042.60	MI DEPT OF TREASURY	040-45-200-02-005-00	1130.57
BERNADINE A. LIPPINCOTT LIVING TRUST	020-025-012-080-00	1144.03	MICH DEPT OF TREAS. COLLECTIONS	030-019-016-020-00	1513.93
BETSY A MROCKOWSKI TRUST	040-40-030-09-020-08	307.33	MICH DEPT OF TREASURY--COLLECTIONS	030-031-007-120-00	3377.36
BETSY A MROCKOWSKI TRUST	040-40-030-09-020-09	1073.44	MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SERVICES	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
CAPITAL ALLIANCE FINANCIAL, LLC	070-200-003-005-00	2070.65	MTGE ELECTRONIC REGIS SYSTEMS	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
CAROLINE E STREBY AS TRUSTEE	052-600-000-073-00	1105.98	NORMA E DAUGHERTY REVOCABLE LIVING TRUST	010-13-024-13-020-06	1121.88
CITIZENS BANK	040-41-007-11-035-00	4392.44	NORTH CENTRAL AREA CREDIT UNION	051-002-011-060-00	1331.16
CITIZENS BANK	040-45-480-00-018-00	1535.27	NORTHLAND AREA FED CREDIT UNION	063-011-002-080-00	454.94
CITIZENS BANK	050-006-012-020-05	2049.19	NORTHLAND AREA FEDERAL CREDIT UNION	063-011-002-070-00	1843.84
CITIZENS BANK	070-100-020-001-00	2241.23	NORTHWOOD LAND & INVST CO	020-075-000-092-01	319.86
CITIZENS BANK	070-200-003-005-00	2070.65	PALISADES COLLECTION LLC	050-018-011-030-00	1947.05
CITIZENS BANK 14-42	032-321-000-053-00	1380.24	PALISADES COLLECTION, LLC	010-14-750-00-010-00	1024.80
CITIZENS BANK--COMMERCIAL SALES	070-100-018-001-01	1688.32	PINES MORTGAGE CORPORATION	010-13-024-13-020-06	1121.88
CITIZENS BANK--COMMERCIAL SALES	070-100-018-012-00	1476.57	SKYLINE SKI & COUNTRY CLUB LLC	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25
COMMONPOINT MORTGAGE	031-011-006-240-04	1172.06	SKYLINE SKI & COUNTRY CLUB LLC	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
CONSECO FINANCE SERVICING	040-45-765-20-013-00	2654.77	SKYLINE SKI & COUNTRY CLUB LLC	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
CONSECO FINANCE SERVICING CORP	064-540-009-003-00	1546.30	STATE FARM BANK, F.S.B.	050-032-014-040-08	3530.02
CORNERSTONE 220, LLC	070-100-015-001-02	4156.90	ALLEN, ELMER	063-002-003-140-00	621.61
COX, KENNETH W & ETAL	040-40-022-01-180-00	382.29	ALLEN, PATRICIA E	063-002-003-140-00	621.61
CRAWFORD CO HOUSING COMMISSION	040-45-280-00-018-00	470.58	ANDERS, CHRISTINE M	062-028-014-040-00	827.03
CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION	032-180-000-401-00	744.15	ANDERS, CHRISTINE M	062-028-015-010-00	1778.11
CRAWFORD COUNTY HOUSING COMMISSION	070-131-004-005-00	1622.56	BALMES, GERALD	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
CUSTOM DEVELOPEMENT GROUP, LLC	052-520-000-327-00	397.88	BALMES, GERALD	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
CUSTOM DEVELOPEMENT GROUP, LLC	052-520-000-329-00	450.85	BALMES, GERALD A	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25
CUSTOM DEVELOPEMENT GROUP, LLC	052-520-000-330-00	376.73	BALMES, VIVIAN	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
CUSTOM DEVELOPEMENT GROUP, LLC	052-520-000-339-00	403.21	BALMES, VIVIAN	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
CUSTOM DEVELOPEMENT GROUP, LLC	052-520-000-464-00	477.36	BALMES, VIVIAN D	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25
CUSTOM DEVELOPEMENT GROUP, LLC	052-520-000-493-00	652.17	BATESON, SUSAN	070-100-016-010-00	3465.98
CUSTOM DEVELOPEMENT GROUP, LLC	064-400-000-609-00	342.81	BAUMGART, JUDITH S	064-400-000-762-00	707.99
DANA WHITLEY DBA WORLD OF FLOORS	050-029-001-035-01	1671.23	BELL, CLAY	052-520-000-359-00	2393.38
DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY	070-150-003-004-00	5711.24	BELL, KIMBERLY	052-520-000-359-00	2393.38
DISCOVER BANK	050-018-011-030-00	1947.05	BISHOP, GERALD	063-011-013-040-00	820.49
EMPIRE NATIONAL BANK	070-100-016-010-00	3465.98	BISHOP, MARY E	063-011-013-040-00	820.49
ESTATE OF CONNIE PILLARO	040-44-036-16-080-00	1323.08	BODINE, RAYMOND C	010-12-019-01-640-00	683.57
ESTATE OF NADEAN NIEDERHOUSE	052-600-000-014-00	2752.57	BODINE, THELMA J	010-12-019-01-640-00	683.57
ESTATE OF WILLIAM & VIOLETTA MCCRAE	040-45-480-00-018-00	1535.27	BONO, LORI	031-012-001-031-00	695.34
EVELYN G WHITE ETAL	040-41-025-12-240-00	587.89	BONO, LORI NEWBY	031-012-001-031-00	695.34
F & F WELL DRILLING	050-019-002-035-00	956.52	BRADFORD, JAMES C	063-002-003-140-00	621.61
FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION	063-013-006-020-00	1629.96	BRADFORD, MARY K	063-002-003-140-00	621.61
FINANCIAL PACIFIC LEASING	050-009-007-020-10	962.78	BROOKS, CARL F	040-41-025-12-240-00	587.89
FINANCIAL PACIFIC LEASING	050-009-011-040-00	962.78	BROOKS, ELLA G	040-41-025-12-240-00	587.89
FINANCIAL PACIFIC LEASING, LLC	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25	BROUCKAERT, NANCY	040-45-143-00-107-00	495.10
FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF GAYLORD	032-180-000-160-00	1601.54	CALLAHAN, BRITTANY K	064-620-000-011-00	1020.63
FREMONT INVESTMENT & LOAN	052-502-000-101-00	625.66	CALLAHAN, GARY T	064-620-000-011-00	1020.63
FRITZ HELMUTH & WF	010-14-750-00-010-00	1024.80	CALLAHAN, JAMES P	064-620-000-011-00	1020.63
GE CAPITAL COL PAF LEASING	050-009-011-040-00	962.78	CALLAHAN, MATTHEW T	064-620-000-011-00	1020.63
GE CAPITAL COLONIAL PACIFIC LEASING	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25	CALLAHAN, SHEILA A	064-620-000-011-00	1020.63
GE CAPITAL COLONIAL PACIFIC LEASING	050-009-007-020-10	962.78	CHAPMAN, REBECCA	050-029-012-020-00	1494.33
GREEN TREE FINANCIAL SERV CORP	040-40-019-16-003-00	2893.12	CHAPMAN, STEVEN	050-029-012-020-00	1494.33
GREENPOINT CREDIT LLC	070-131-004-015-02	2368.08	CLARK, RENEE M	064-480-000-012-00	3402.00
GREENTREE SERVICING LLC	064-540-009-003-00	1546.30	CLARK, SCOTT D	064-480-000-012-00	3402.00
HOUSEHOLD FINANCE CORPORATION III	050-029-001-035-01	1671.23	COLTON, DONNA M	064-440-000-039-00	297.02
HSBC BANK USA, N.A.	052-502-000-101-00	625.66	COLTON, DONNA M	064-440-000-040-00	1196.78
HUNTINGTON NATIONAL BANK	030-031-007-120-00	3377.36	COLTON, MICHAEL A	064-440-000-039-00	297.02
HUNTINGTON NATL BANK	030-031-007-120-00	3377.36	COLTON, MICHAEL A	064-440-000-040-00	1196.78
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	032-102-000-132-00	362.90	COTTRELL, COLIN	040-45-200-02-005-00	1130.57
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	070-100-009-005-01	1683.82	COX, KENNETH W	040-40-022-01-180-00	382.29
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	070-100-009-006-00	2380.73	COX, THOMAS ANDREW	040-40-022-01-180-00	382.29
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	070-100-009-007-00	2230.05	CROSS, DAVID A	062-007-016-240-00	443.11
INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE	070-200-003-005-00	2070.65	DEITTRICK, ORVILLE	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
INVESTAID CORPORATION	063-013-006-020-00	1629.96	DEITTRICK, ORVILLE	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION	040-40-007-14-120-00	1020.95	DEITTRICK, SHIRLEY	050-009-007-020-10	962.78

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NAME	PARCEL ID	TAX	NAME	PARCEL ID	TAX
DEITTRICK, SHIRLEY	050-009-011-040-00	962.78	PARTELLO, CARL	031-011-006-340-01	1860.70
DELOOF, BETH	040-45-765-20-013-00	2654.77	PARTELLO, WILLIAM P	031-011-006-240-04	1172.06
DELOOF, BETH	040-45-765-20-016-00	362.22	PARTELLO, WILLIAM P	031-011-006-340-01	1860.70
DEMOINES, SUSAN M	032-180-000-401-00	744.15	PAUL, THIEL	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
DEMOINES, THOMAS C	032-180-000-401-00	744.15	PAUL, THIEL	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
DIETTRICK, ORVILLE A	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25	PEER, DANIEL	063-013-003-020-00	14932.65
DIETTRICK, SHIRLEY A	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25	PEER, DANIEL D	063-011-013-275-00	348.91
DISS, JAMES	062-031-001-040-01	602.48	PEER, DANIEL D	063-013-006-020-00	1629.96
DOUGLAS, GENEVA A	010-13-024-13-020-06	1121.88	PEER, ESTHER C	063-011-013-275-00	348.91
DOUGLAS, THOMAS E	010-13-024-13-020-06	1121.88	PEER, MICHELLE	063-013-006-020-00	1629.96
DREFFS, DONALD	032-400-000-004-00	1095.54	PEER JR, DONALD D	063-011-013-275-00	348.91
DREFFS, KATHLEEN	032-400-000-004-00	1095.54	PEER JR, DONALD D	063-013-003-020-00	14932.65
DUFFY, CHRISTINE	030-033-001-180-00	818.62	PEER SR, DONALD D	063-011-013-275-00	348.91
DUFFY, DONNA C	030-033-001-180-00	818.62	PEER SR, DONALD D	063-013-003-020-00	14932.65
DUFFY, JEFF	030-033-001-180-00	818.62	PETER, TODD A	040-45-281-00-049-00	1012.61
DUFFY, JEFFREY R J	030-033-001-180-00	818.62	PEWOSKI, MARIE	070-100-020-001-00	2241.23
DUGGAN, KATHERINE	040-45-143-00-107-00	495.10	PEWOSKI, MARIETTA	070-100-020-001-00	2241.23
DWYER, DANIEL STEVEN	040-45-280-00-018-00	470.58	PHILLIPS, ERMA	031-034-001-040-02	1084.32
ELLIS, ROBERT	020-022-004-040-00	1516.70	PHILLIPS, ERMA	031-034-001-040-02	1084.32
ELLIS, ROBERT A	020-022-004-040-00	1516.70	PILLARO - SHEETS, TINA MARIE	040-44-036-16-080-00	1323.08
ELLIS, THOMAS B	020-022-004-040-00	1516.70	PIZZI, GAYE M	070-132-001-001-04	1405.80
ELY, BRUCE	052-250-000-004-00	5359.19	PIZZI, TIFFANY N	070-132-001-001-04	1405.80
ELY, BRUCE	052-250-000-006-00	1494.09	PRALL, JAMES M	010-14-800-00-108-00	312.16
FERRIGAN II, JOSEPH S	070-100-018-001-01	1688.32	PRALL, KATHERINE A	010-14-800-00-108-00	312.16
FERRIGAN II, JOSEPH S	070-100-018-012-00	1476.57	PROFFITT, JERRY	040-44-022-11-040-00	515.40
FISHER, DWIGHT J	010-14-802-00-447-00	317.91	PROFFITT, JERRY	040-44-022-11-040-01	515.40
FLOWERS, CORA	070-100-020-001-00	2241.23	PROFFITT, KATHY	040-44-022-11-040-00	515.40
FORCE, THOMAS	010-14-400-00-165-00	1492.98	PROFFITT, KATHY	040-44-022-11-040-01	515.40
FORD, LEONA	064-500-000-030-00	982.87	RALPH, DEVROY	010-12-028-12-020-00	792.74
FRITZ, HELMUTH	010-14-750-00-010-00	1024.80	RAY, GAIL S	010-13-024-13-020-06	1121.88
FRITZ, INGRID	010-14-750-00-010-00	1024.80	RAY, RONALD E	010-13-024-13-020-06	1121.88
GARDNER, KATHY	050-009-007-020-10	962.78	REIDNER, CLEMENT	040-45-921-00-032-00	768.02
GARDNER, KATHY	050-009-011-040-00	962.78	RHINEHART, MARK	052-520-000-540-00	954.45
GERARD, REGENA A	030-028-016-240-00	1247.81	RHINEHART, TERRI	052-520-000-540-00	954.45
GERARD, ROBERT E	030-028-016-240-00	1247.81	RIEDNER, CLEMENT G	040-45-921-00-032-00	768.02
GILLIAM, JAMES G	052-775-000-031-00	787.31	RIEDNER, SANDRA K	040-45-921-00-032-00	768.02
GOODREAU, LAURI	050-029-001-035-01	1671.23	ROBINSON, JERRY	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
GOODREAU, THOMAS	050-029-001-035-01	1671.23	ROBINSON, JERRY	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
GORE, KYRIA A	064-400-000-060-00	2666.27	ROBINSON, TERRI	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
GORE, TIMOTHY C	064-400-000-060-00	2666.27	ROBINSON, TERRI	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
GREGORY, DIANA L	062-022-007-080-00	1080.87	ROEDIGER, BRANDI	052-502-000-101-00	625.66
HAAG, CONSTANCE	040-40-019-16-003-00	2893.12	ROEDIGER, KEVIN	052-502-000-101-00	625.66
HAAG, CONTANCE	040-40-019-16-003-00	2893.12	RYAN, BRIDGET	031-012-001-031-00	695.34
HAAG, GORDON	040-40-019-16-003-00	2893.12	RZIEMKOWSKI, MICHAEL A.	032-160-000-180-00	318.82
HABBERT, DAVID	052-520-000-397-00	1136.58	SAFFORD, JAMES D	032-101-000-053-00	362.90
HABBERT, DAWN M	052-520-000-397-00	1136.58	SAFFORD, KRISTINE D	032-101-000-053-00	362.90
HABEL, KENNETH	040-45-143-00-107-00	495.10	SCHMIDT, JOHN	010-14-400-00-165-00	1492.98
HABEL, LEONARD	040-45-143-00-107-00	495.10	SCHMIDT, ROSALIE	010-14-400-00-165-00	1492.98
HARLAND, BRANDON	050-006-012-020-05	2049.19	SCHNEIDER, GREGORY T	040-45-765-20-016-00	362.22
HARLAND, STEPHEN	050-006-012-020-05	2049.19	SCHULTZ, ALBERT W	052-775-000-033-00	1241.76
HARRIS, DEBRA LOU	040-40-007-04-060-00	928.14	SECORD, MARILYN F	063-011-002-070-00	1843.84
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HARTWICK, JAMES F	031-011-006-180-02	1042.60	SECORD, WALTER J	063-011-002-070-00	1843.84
HATTIS, GLORIA J	032-180-000-160-00	1601.54	SECORD, WALTER J	063-011-002-080-00	454.94
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HENDRIEN, RICHARD	064-400-000-516-00	403.25	SMITH, DANIEL K.	040-40-007-14-120-00	1020.95
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HILBRECHT, JAMES	050-009-007-020-10	962.78	SMITH, NAMON	020-016-011-040-00	666.15
HILBRECHT, JAMES	050-009-011-040-00	962.78	SMITH, NAMON	020-016-011-040-03	758.13
HILBRECHT, JAMES M	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25	SOLOMONSON, IRENE	064-400-000-666-00	744.35
HOFFMAN, JENNIFER	052-502-000-101-00	625.66	SOLOMONSON, KENNETH R	064-400-000-666-00	744.35
HOLMAN, ROBERT	031-024-004-006-00	1037.03	SOUTHARD, CECILIA	070-100-018-001-01	1688.32
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HULBERT, BRIAN W	031-034-002-065-00	1179.67	SOUTHARD, STEPHEN	070-100-018-001-01	1688.32
HULBERT, EVA B	031-034-002-065-00	1179.67	SOUTHARD, STEPHEN	070-100-018-012-00	1476.57
HULBERT, JAMES M	031-034-002-065-00	1179.67	SOUTHWELL, COLLEEN M	050-019-001-160-00	491.05
HUNT, ANDREW T	032-321-000-053-00	1380.24	SOUTHWELL JR, ROBERT	050-019-001-160-00	491.05
JONES, CYNTHIA	040-41-007-11-035-00	4392.44	STARK, VALERIE R	030-019-016-020-00	1513.93
JONES, JOHN	040-41-007-11-035-00	4392.44	STOCKER, MARY ANN	040-40-010-10-050-00	1141.93
KALTHOFF, EDGAR	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25	STREBY, DAVID	052-600-000-073-00	1105.98
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KOBEL, H A	064-500-000-030-00	982.87	SUTTON, KATRINA	030-029-010-100-00	543.26
KOBEL, HENRY W	064-500-000-030-00	982.87	SUTTON, TIMOTHY	030-029-010-100-00	543.26
KOBEL, HOWARD S	064-500-000-030-00	982.87	SZELAG, DARIUSZ	020-075-000-092-01	319.86
KORHONEN, KRISTINA	040-40-004-07-020-01	414.47	SZELAG, IZABELLA	020-075-000-092-01	319.86
KORHONEN, LARRY	040-40-004-07-020-01	414.47	TAYLOR, DAN	032-102-000-132-00	362.90
KOTSULL, JOSEPH	052-520-000-465-00	439.50	THIEL, PAUL	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
KOTSULL, PAULA	052-520-000-465-00	439.50	THIEL, PAUL	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
LAZZARINO, LOUISE	050-018-011-030-00	1947.05	TIPSWOOD, JAMES	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
LAZZARINO, WILLIAM	050-018-011-030-00	1947.05	TIPSWOOD, JAMES	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
LEPSY, RICHARD L	040-45-420-01-021-00	645.42	TIPSWOOD, TERRRY	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
LINDEMANN, PATRICK E	030-031-005-065-01	1330.90	TIPSWOOD, TERRY	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
LIPPINCOTT, BERNADINE A	020-025-012-080-00	1144.03	TODD	030-019-016-020-00	1513.93
MATHEWS, JAY	051-002-013-020-06	426.91	TOMPKINS, TODD	030-031-007-120-00	3377.36
MATHEWS, JAY	052-500-000-033-00	286.61	VANPETTEN, PHYLLIS	064-830-000-007-00	321.19
MATHEWS, JAY O	051-002-011-060-00	1331.16	VANPETTEN, PHYLLIS	064-830-000-009-00	321.19
MATHEWS, JAY O'NEAL	051-002-011-060-00	1331.16	VANPETTEN, PHYLLIS	064-830-000-010-00	813.32
MATTHEWS, DALE	050-009-011-040-00	962.78	VAUGHN, CONSTANCE K	070-131-004-005-00	1622.56
MATTHEWS, KAY	050-009-007-020-10	962.78	VERNIER, WINFIELD C	020-075-000-238-00	319.86
MATTHEWS, KAY	050-009-011-040-00	962.78	VINSON, MARCIA	052-520-000-540-00	954.45
MATTHEWS, DALE	050-009-007-020-10	962.78	VIOLET, THERRIEN TRACIE	010-14-400-00-165-00	1492.98
MCCLEAVE, SHANE	040-44-033-12-020-01	850.49	WAKELEY, DALE	070-131-004-015-02	2368.08
MCDANIEL, MARGY G	010-14-803-00-550-00	3042.87	WALSH, JAMES	052-600-000-053-00	1434.00
MCDANIEL, WILLIAM E	010-14-803-00-550-00	3042.87	WALSH, JAMES	052-600-000-054-00	346.13
MCLEOD, TERRIE JO	050-019-002-035-00	956.52	WALSH, JAMES	052-600-000-055-00	346.13
MOSHIER, KARY A	070-100-009-005-01	1683.82	WALSH, JOHN	052-600-000-053-00	1434.00
MOSHIER, KARY L	070-100-009-005-01	1683.82	WALSH, JOHN	052-600-000-054-00	346.13
MOSHIER, KARY L	070-100-009-006-00	2380.73	WALSH, JOHN	052-600-000-055-00	346.13
MOSHIER, KARY L	070-100-009-007-00	2230.05	WALTERS, NICK	040-45-921-00-032-00	768.02
MOSHIER, KARY L	070-200-003-005-00	2070.65	WALTERS, RICHARD	032-321-000-053-00	1380.24
MOSHIER, ROGER A	070-100-009-005-01	1683.82	WEAVER, WENDY	070-150-003-004-00	5711.24
MOSHIER, ROGER A	070-100-009-006-00	2380.73	WERTENBERGER, ERMA	031-034-001-040-02	1084.32
MOSHIER, ROGER A	070-100-009-007-00	2230.05	WHITE, EVELYN G	040-41-025-12-240-00	587.89
MOSS-HILBRECHT, CATHERINE	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25	WHITLEY, DANA W	070-150-003-004-00	5711.24
NAGY, MICHAEL	032-180-000-180-00	653.13	WHITLEY, TAMMY M	070-150-003-004-00	5711.24
NEWBY, GERTRUDE J	031-012-001-031-00	695.34	WILL, DENNIS	050-032-014-040-08	3530.02
NEWBY, W E	031-012-001-031-00	695.34	WILL JR, DENNIS	050-032-014-040-08	3530.02
NIEDERHOUSE, CONRAD	052-600-000-014-00	2752.57	WILLIAMS, HAROLD T	010-12-019-01-640-00	683.57
O'CONNOR, KURT	040-40-030-09-020-08	307.33	WILLIAMS, ROSE	010-12-019-01-640-00	683.57
O'CONNOR, KURT	040-40-030-09-020-09	1073.44	WILSON, JOANN E	040-40-004-16-020-04	3154.73
O'CONNOR, SHELLY	040-40-030-09-020-08	307.33	WILSON, PERRY D	040-40-004-16-020-04	3154.73
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PARKER, CLAUD	030-001-003-030-00	681.66	YOUHANNA, LINDA	061-035-001-020-18	1646.63
PARTELLO, CARL	031-011-006-240-04	1172.06			

No party or person should make any attempt to inspect or enter upon these parcels assuming them to be for sale. This may constitute trespassing and subject the offender to criminal prosecution. The street address of the parcels listed is based upon local records and is not guaranteed to be the actual location of the property.

010-12-019-01-640-00		040-41-025-12-240-00	TIMBER TRL	052-775-000-031-00	9570 SPEARS DR
010-12-028-12-020-00		040-44-022-11-040-00	DONATA DR	052-775-000-033-00	9623 SWITZER BLVD
010-13-024-13-020-06	5792 OLD COUNTY RD 612	040-44-022-11-040-01	DONATA AVE	061-035-001-020-18	11801 COUNTY ROAD 502
010-14-400-00-165-00	3033 Highbanks DR	040-44-033-12-020-01	3710 NORTH DOWN RIVER RD	062-007-016-240-00	7944 S STEPHAN BRIDGE RD
010-14-750-00-010-00	2786 BLUEBIRD LN	040-44-036-16-080-00	162 W NORTH DOWN RIVER RD	062-022-007-080-00	E PIONEER RD
010-14-802-00-447-00		040-45-143-00-107-00	RIVER PARK DR	062-028-014-040-00	2535 E PIONEER RD
010-14-803-00-550-00	3081 KIRTLAND DR	040-45-200-02-005-00	210 SCOTT ST	062-031-001-040-01	432 S MCMASTERS BRIDGE RD
020-016-011-040-00		040-45-280-00-018-00	4223 W PINECREST RD	063-002-003-140-00	1230 S MCMASTERS BRIDGE RD
020-016-011-040-03	9184 N PETERSEN RD	040-45-281-00-049-00	130 ALEXIA LN	063-011-002-070-00	10920 LINGER LONGER RD
020-022-004-040-00		040-45-420-01-021-00	6421 OLD LAKE RD	063-011-002-080-00	2142 EATON TRL
020-025-012-080-00		040-45-480-00-018-00	2118 S WAKELEY BRIDGE RD	063-011-013-040-00	2142 EATON TRL
020-075-000-092-01		040-45-765-20-013-00	9901 MY OWN AVE	064-400-000-060-00	11404 BEAVER CREEK TRL
020-075-000-238-00		040-45-765-20-016-00	BATTALION BLVD	064-400-000-516-00	10193 E PINEDALE
030-001-003-030-00		040-45-921-00-032-00	734 AIRPORT RD	064-400-000-609-00	3 E PIONEER RD
030-014-002-010-00		050-006-012-020-05	5608 W FIVE MILE RD	064-400-000-666-00	10763 DUPREY DR
030-019-016-020-00		050-008-013-020-41	4020 SKYLINE RD	064-400-000-762-00	105 EUGENE DR
030-028-016-240-00		050-009-007-020-10	4020 SKYLINE RD	064-440-000-039-00	105 EUGENE DR
030-029-010-100-00		050-009-011-040-00	4020 SKYLINE RD	064-440-000-040-00	1132 MOFFATT TRAIL
030-031-005-065-01		050-018-011-030-00	8727 S OAK RD	064-480-000-012-00	11805 W ROBERTA DR
030-031-007-120-00		050-019-001-160-00	9093 SOUTHWELL RD	064-500-000-030-00	2442 CONTOUR DR
030-033-001-180-00		050-019-002-035-00	5276 TRACY'S TR	064-620-000-011-00	1740 MCCREDIE RD
031-011-006-180-02		050-029-001-035-01	10482 S MERRIO RD	064-830-000-007-00	11146 MANNING TRL
031-011-006-240-04	7637 TWIN PEAKS RD.	050-029-012-020-00	10812 JOSEPHINE TR	064-830-000-009-00	
031-011-006-340-01	10484 TATAR TRAIL	050-032-014-040-08	9270 FEDERAL HWY	064-830-000-010-00	
031-012-001-031-00	10846 N OLD 27	051-002-011-060-00	7990 W FIVE MILE RD	070-100-009-005-01	513 N JAMES ST
031-024-004-006-00		051-002-013-020-06	6700 S KING RD	070-100-009-006-00	515 N JAMES ST
031-034-001-040-02	6955 KOLKA CREEK RD	052-250-000-004-00	11859 CROSSING DEER COURT	070-100-015-001-02	235 E MICHIGAN AVE
031-034-002-065-00	8383 HULBERT RD	052-250-000-006-00	CROSSING DEER COURT	070-100-016-010-00	306 N JAMES ST
032-101-000-053-00		052-500-000-033-00	BARIC DR	070-100-018-001-01	205 INGHAM ST
032-102-000-132-00		052-502-000-101-00	11568 BARIC DR	070-100-018-012-00	
032-160-000-180-00		052-520-000-327-00	W FOREST WAY	070-100-020-001-00	307 IONIA ST
032-180-000-160-00	6456 CENTER ST.	052-520-000-329-00	W FOREST WAY	070-131-004-005-00	208 LAWDALE ST
032-180-000-180-00	6405 FREDERIC ST	052-520-000-330-00	W FOREST WAY	070-131-004-015-02	314 FULTON ST
032-180-000-401-00		052-520-000-339-00	W FOREST WAY	070-132-001-001-04	401 MIKADO ST
032-321-000-053-00		052-520-000-359-00	307 BOWSTRING CT	070-150-003-004-00	207 S JAMES ST
032-400-000-004-00		052-520-000-397-00	410 WIGWAM RD	070-200-003-005-00	608 CLYDE ST
040-40-004-07-020-01	S SPITE AVE	052-520-000-464-00	W FOREST WAY		
040-40-004-16-020-04	2791 MCKAY RD	052-520-000-465-00	POCAHONTAS TR		
040-40-007-04-060-00	1330 KAPETS RD	052-520-000-493-00	W FOREST WAY		
040-40-007-14-120-00	585 RUSSELL RD	052-520-000-540-00	10859 W FOREST WAY		
040-40-010-10-050-00	1579 S HORSESHOE TRL	052-600-000-014-00	203 W LOVE'S DR		
040-40-019-16-003-00	937 RUSTIC LN	052-600-000-053-00	103 E LOVE'S DR		
040-40-022-01-180-00	3899 BOURRIE TRL	052-600-000-054-00	103 E LOVE'S DR		
040-40-030-09-020-08	EMBER TRL	052-600-000-055-00	103 E LOVE'S DR		
040-40-030-09-020-09	390 EMBER TRL	052-600-000-073-00	104 E LOVE'S DR		
040-41-007-11-035-00	5850 W M-72 HWY				

Legal Action

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brenda Gerow and Theodore R. Gerow, Wife and Husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 2006, and recorded on November 15, 2006 in Liber 684 on Page 177, in Crawford County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-FF1 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Five And 68/100 Dollars (\$60,525.68), including interest at 8.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on January 21, 2009. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Commencing at a point 132 Feet East of the Northwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of section 3, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, thence South 330.0 Feet, thence East 229.5 Feet, thence North 330.0 Feet, thence West 229.5 Feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. Dated: December 18, 2008 For more information, please call: FC G 248.593.1310 Trott & Trott, P.C. Attorneys For Servicer 31440 Northwestern Highway, Suite 200 Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525 File #235592F01 -18-25-1-8

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Michael J Henson, Unmarried and Frela J Hardacre, Unmarried to Fifth Third Bank (Northern Michigan), Mortgagee, dated May 15, 2002 and recorded June 17, 2002 in Liber 584 Page 543 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: The Bank of New York Mellon, as Indenture Trustee for the registered holders of ABFS Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-2, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-2, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$94,865.20) including interest 10.4% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on February 11, 2009 Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: And Known as being a part of Section 7, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as, commencing at the north one-quarter corner of said section 7, thence south 1 degrees 11 minutes 30 seconds, East along the north-south one-quarter line, 1309.8 feet for a point of beginning, thence north 89 degrees 47 minutes 00 seconds east, 653.6 feet, thence south 1 degree 25 minutes 00 seconds east, 654.1 feet, thence north 89 degrees 40 minutes 15 seconds west, 668.2 feet, thence north 1 degree 11 minutes 30 seconds west, 655.4 feet, thence north 99 degrees 47 minutes 00 seconds east, 12.0 feet to the point of beginning, be the same more or less, but subject to all legal highways. Commonly known as 5412 Ken Pen Road, Frederick MI 49733 The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: DECEMBER 29, 2008 The Bank of New York Mellon, as Indenture Trustee for the registered holders of ABFS Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-2, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-2 Assignee of Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd, Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 08-03323 ASAP# 2959088 01/08/2009, 01/15/2009, 01/22/2009, 01/29/2009 -8-15-22-29

FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: Dennis K Kaiser and Therese M Kaiser, husband and wife, to New Century Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 12, 2005 and recorded February 28, 2005 in Liber 673, Page 951, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by US Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series NC 2005-HE4 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand Two Hundred Eighty and 25/100 Dollars (\$109,280.25) including interest at 9.375% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 21, 2009. Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 9, Whippoorwill, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2, Page 51 and 52, of Plats, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale,

plus interest. Dated: December 18, 2008 Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 231.6740 ASAP# 2945258 12/18/2008, 12/25/2008, 01/01/2009, 01/08/2009 -18-25-1-8

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Anita P. Wise, a single woman to Northwestern Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated August 5, 2003 and recorded August 15, 2003 in Liber 647 Page 421 Crawford County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars and Fifty-One Cents (\$93,855.51) including interest 5.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided,

notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on January 28, 2009 Commonly known as 897 Cherokee Trail, Roscommon MI 48653 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: DECEMBER 18, 2008 Northwestern Mortgage Company Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd, Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 08-01607 -25-1-8-15

Crawford County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes are now available on the county website: www.crawfordco.org eight days following the scheduled board meeting or may be obtained at the County Clerk's office for six (6) cents per page.

**Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds**

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NAME	PARCEL ID	TAX	NAME	PARCEL ID	TAX
DEITTRICK, SHIRLEY	050-009-011-040-00	962.78	PARTELLO, CARL	031-011-006-340-01	1860.70
DELOOF, BETH	040-45-765-20-013-00	2654.77	PARTELLO, WILLIAM P	031-011-006-240-04	1172.06
DELOOF, BETH	040-45-765-20-016-00	362.22	PARTELLO, WILLIAM P	031-011-006-340-01	1860.70
DEMOINES, SUSAN M	032-180-000-401-00	744.15	PAUL, THIEL	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
DEMOINES, THOMAS C	032-180-000-401-00	744.15	PAUL, THIEL	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
DIETTRICK, ORVILLE A	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25	PEER, DANIEL	063-013-003-020-00	14932.65
DIETTRICK, SHIRLEY A	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25	PEER, DANIEL D	063-011-013-275-00	348.91
DISS, JAMES	062-031-001-040-01	602.48	PEER, DANIEL D	063-013-006-020-00	1629.96
DOUGLAS, GENEVA A	010-13-024-13-020-06	1121.88	PEER, ESTHER C	063-011-013-275-00	348.91
DOUGLAS, THOMAS E	010-13-024-13-020-06	1121.88	PEER, MICHELLE	063-013-006-020-00	1629.96
DREFFS, DONALD	032-400-000-004-00	1095.54	PEER JR, DONALD D	063-011-013-275-00	348.91
DREFFS, KATHLEEN	032-400-000-004-00	1095.54	PEER JR, DONALD D	063-013-003-020-00	14932.65
DUFFY, CHRISTINE	030-033-001-180-00	818.62	PEER SR, DONALD D	063-011-013-275-00	348.91
DUFFY, DONNA C	030-033-001-180-00	818.62	PEER SR, DONALD D	063-013-003-020-00	14932.65
DUFFY, JEFF	030-033-001-180-00	818.62	PETER, TODD A	040-45-281-00-049-00	1012.61
DUFFY, JEFFREY R J	030-033-001-180-00	818.62	PEWOSKI, MARIE	070-100-020-001-00	2241.23
DUGGAN, KATHERINE	040-45-143-00-107-00	495.10	PEWOSKI, MARIETTA	070-100-020-001-00	2241.23
DWYER, DANIEL STEVEN	040-45-280-00-018-00	470.58	PHILLIPS, ERMA	031-034-001-040-02	1084.32
ELLIS, ROBERT	020-022-004-040-00	1516.70	PHILLIPS, ERMA	031-034-001-040-02	1084.32
ELLIS, ROBERT A	020-022-004-040-00	1516.70	PILLARO - SHEETS, TINA MARIE	040-44-036-16-080-00	1323.08
ELLIS, THOMAS B	020-022-004-040-00	1516.70	PIZZI, GAYE M	070-132-001-001-04	1405.80
ELY, BRUCE	052-250-000-004-00	5359.19	PIZZI, TIFFANY N	070-132-001-001-04	1405.80
ELY, BRUCE	052-250-000-006-00	1494.09	PRALL, JAMES M	010-14-800-00-108-00	312.16
FERRIGAN II, JOSEPH S	070-100-018-001-01	1688.32	PRALL, KATHERINE A	010-14-800-00-108-00	312.16
FERRIGAN II, JOSEPH S	070-100-018-012-00	1476.57	PROFFITT, JERRY	040-44-022-11-040-00	515.40
FISHER, DWIGHT J	010-14-802-00-447-00	317.91	PROFFITT, JERRY	040-44-022-11-040-01	515.40
FLOWERS, CORA	070-100-020-001-00	2241.23	PROFFITT, KATHY	040-44-022-11-040-00	515.40
FORCE, THOMAS	010-14-400-00-165-00	1492.98	PROFFITT, KATHY	040-44-022-11-040-01	515.40
FORD, LEONA	064-500-000-030-00	982.87	RALPH, DEVROY	010-12-028-12-020-00	792.74
FRITZ, HELMUTH	010-14-750-00-010-00	1024.80	RAY, GAIL S	010-13-024-13-020-06	1121.88
FRITZ, INGRID	010-14-750-00-010-00	1024.80	RAY, RONALD E	010-13-024-13-020-06	1121.88
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GERARD, REGENA A	030-028-016-240-00	1247.81	RHINEHART, TERRI	052-520-000-540-00	954.45
GERARD, ROBERT E	030-028-016-240-00	1247.81	RIEDNER, CLEMENT G	040-45-921-00-032-00	768.02
GILLIAM, JAMES G	052-775-000-031-00	787.31	RIEDNER, SANDRA K	040-45-921-00-032-00	768.02
GOODREAU, LAURI	050-029-001-035-01	1671.23	ROBINSON, JERRY	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
GOODREAU, THOMAS	050-029-001-035-01	1671.23	ROBINSON, JERRY	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
GORE, KYRIA A	064-400-000-060-00	2666.27	ROBINSON, TERRI	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
GORE, TIMOTHY C	064-400-000-060-00	2666.27	ROBINSON, TERRI	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
GREGORY, DIANA L	062-022-007-080-00	1080.87	ROEDIGER, BRANDI	052-502-000-101-00	625.66
HAAG, CONSTANCE	040-40-019-16-003-00	2893.12	ROEDIGER, KEVIN	052-502-000-101-00	625.66
HAAG, CONTANCE	040-40-019-16-003-00	2893.12	RYAN, BRIDGET	031-012-001-031-00	695.34
HAAG, GORDON	040-40-019-16-003-00	2893.12	RZIEMKOWSKI, MICHAEL A.	032-160-000-180-00	318.82
HABBERT, DAVID	052-520-000-397-00	1136.58	SAFFORD, JAMES D	032-101-000-053-00	362.90
HABBERT, DAWN M	052-520-000-397-00	1136.58	SAFFORD, KRISTINE D	032-101-000-053-00	362.90
HABEL, KENNETH	040-45-143-00-107-00	495.10	SCHMIDT, JOHN	010-14-400-00-165-00	1492.98
HABEL, LEONARD	040-45-143-00-107-00	495.10	SCHMIDT, ROSALIE	010-14-400-00-165-00	1492.98
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HARRIS, DEBRA LOU	040-40-007-04-060-00	928.14	SECORD, MARILYN F	063-011-002-070-00	1843.84
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HARTWICK, JAMES F	031-011-006-180-02	1042.60	SECORD, WALTER J	063-011-002-070-00	1843.84
HATTIS, GLORIA J	032-180-000-160-00	1601.54	SECORD, WALTER J	063-011-002-080-00	454.94
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HENDRIEN, RICHARD	064-400-000-516-00	403.25	SMITH, DANIEL K.	040-40-007-14-120-00	1020.95
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HOFFMAN, JENNIFER	052-502-000-101-00	625.66	SOLOMONSON, KENNETH R	064-400-000-666-00	744.35
HOLMAN, ROBERT	031-024-004-006-00	1037.03	SOUTHARD, CECILIA	070-100-018-001-01	1688.32
HOLMAN, VALARIE	031-024-004-006-00	1037.03	SOUTHARD, CECILIA	070-100-018-012-00	1476.57
HULBERT, BRIAN W	031-034-002-065-00	1179.67	SOUTHARD, STEPHEN	070-100-018-001-01	1688.32
HULBERT, EVA B	031-034-002-065-00	1179.67	SOUTHARD, STEPHEN	070-100-018-012-00	1476.57
HULBERT, JAMES M	031-034-002-065-00	1179.67	SOUTHWELL, COLLEEN M	050-019-001-160-00	491.05
HUNT, ANDREW T	032-321-000-053-00	1380.24	SOUTHWELL JR, ROBERT	050-019-001-160-00	491.05
JONES, CYNTHIA	040-41-007-11-035-00	4392.44	STARK, VALERIE R	030-019-016-020-00	1513.93
JONES, JOHN	040-41-007-11-035-00	4392.44	STOCKER, MARY ANN	040-40-010-10-050-00	1141.93
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KOBEL, HOWARD S	064-500-000-030-00	982.87	SZELAG, DARIUSZ	020-075-000-092-01	319.86
KORHONEN, KRISTINA	040-40-004-07-020-01	414.47	SZELAG, IZABELLA	020-075-000-092-01	319.86
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LAZZARINO, WILLIAM	050-018-011-030-00	1947.05	TIPSWOOD, JAMES	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
LEPSY, RICHARD L	040-45-420-01-021-00	645.42	TIPSWOOD, TERRRY	050-009-007-020-10	962.78
LINDEMANN, PATRICK E	030-031-005-065-01	1330.90	TIPSWOOD, TERRY	050-009-011-040-00	962.78
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MATHEWS, JAY	051-002-013-020-06	426.91	TOMPKINS, TODD	030-031-007-120-00	3377.36
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MATHEWS, JAY O	051-002-011-060-00	1331.16	VANPETTEN, PHYLLIS	064-830-000-009-00	321.19
MATHEWS, JAY O'NEAL	051-002-011-060-00	1331.16	VANPETTEN, PHYLLIS	064-830-000-010-00	813.32
MATTHEWS, DALE	050-009-011-040-00	962.78	VAUGHN, CONSTANCE K	070-131-004-005-00	1622.56
MATTHEWS, KAY	050-009-007-020-10	962.78	VERNIER, WINFIELD C	020-075-000-238-00	319.86
MATTHEWS, KAY	050-009-011-040-00	962.78	VINSON, MARCIA	052-520-000-540-00	954.45
MATTHEWS, DALE	050-009-007-020-10	962.78	VIOLET, THERRIEN TRACIE	010-14-400-00-165-00	1492.98
MCCLEAVE, SHANE	040-44-033-12-020-01	850.49	WAKELEY, DALE	070-131-004-015-02	2368.08
MCDANIEL, MARGY G	010-14-803-00-550-00	3042.87	WALSH, JAMES	052-600-000-053-00	1434.00
MCDANIEL, WILLIAM E	010-14-803-00-550-00	3042.87	WALSH, JAMES	052-600-000-054-00	346.13
MCLEOD, TERRIE JO	050-019-002-035-00	956.52	WALSH, JAMES	052-600-000-055-00	346.13
MOSHIER, KARY A	070-100-009-005-01	1683.82	WALSH, JOHN	052-600-000-053-00	1434.00
MOSHIER, KARY L	070-100-009-005-01	1683.82	WALSH, JOHN	052-600-000-054-00	346.13
MOSHIER, KARY L	070-100-009-006-00	2380.73	WALSH, JOHN	052-600-000-055-00	346.13
MOSHIER, KARY L	070-100-009-007-00	2230.05	WALTERS, NICK	040-45-921-00-032-00	768.02
MOSHIER, KARY L	070-200-003-005-00	2070.65	WALTERS, RICHARD	032-321-000-053-00	1380.24
MOSHIER, ROGER A	070-100-009-005-01	1683.82	WEAVER, WENDY	070-150-003-004-00	5711.24
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MOSHIER, ROGER A	070-100-009-007-00	2230.05	WHITE, EVELYN G	040-41-025-12-240-00	587.89
MOSS-HILBRECHT, CATHERINE	050-008-013-020-41	62472.25	WHITLEY, DANA W	070-150-003-004-00	5711.24
NAGY, MICHAEL	032-180-000-180-00	653.13	WHITLEY, TAMMY M	070-150-003-004-00	5711.24
NEWBY, GERTRUDE J	031-012-001-031-00	695.34	WILL, DENNIS	050-032-014-040-08	3530.02
NEWBY, W E	031-012-001-031-00	695.34	WILL JR, DENNIS	050-032-014-040-08	3530.02
NIEDERHOUSE, CONRAD	052-600-000-014-00	2752.57	WILLIAMS, HAROLD T	010-12-019-01-640-00	683.57
O'CONNOR, KURT	040-40-030-09-020-08	307.33	WILLIAMS, ROSE	010-12-019-01-640-00	683.57
O'CONNOR, KURT	040-40-030-09-020-09	1073.44	WILSON, JOANN E	040-40-004-16-020-04	3154.73
O'CONNOR, SHELLY	040-40-030-09-020-08	307.33	WILSON, PERRY D	040-40-004-16-020-04	3154.73
O'CONNOR, SHELLY	040-40-030-09-020-09	1073.44	YOUHANNA, EDWARD	061-035-001-020-18	1646.63
PARKER, CLAUD	030-001-003-030-00	681.66	YOUHANNA, LINDA	061-035-001-020-18	1646.63
PARTELLO, CARL	031-011-006-240-04	1172.06			

No party or person should make any attempt to inspect or enter upon these parcels assuming them to be for sale. This may constitute trespassing and subject the offender to criminal prosecution. The street address of the parcels listed is based upon local records and is not guaranteed to be the actual location of the property.

010-12-019-01-640-00		040-41-025-12-240-00	TIMBER TRL	052-775-000-031-00	9570 SPEARS DR
010-12-028-12-020-00		040-44-022-11-040-00	DONATA DR	052-775-000-033-00	9623 SWITZER BLVD
010-13-024-13-020-06	5792 OLD COUNTY RD 612	040-44-022-11-040-01	DONATA AVE	061-035-001-020-18	11801 COUNTY ROAD 502
010-14-400-00-165-00	3033 Highbanks DR	040-44-033-12-020-01	3710 NORTH DOWN RIVER RD	062-007-016-240-00	7944 S STEPHAN BRIDGE RD
010-14-750-00-010-00	2786 BLUEBIRD LN	040-44-036-16-020-00	162 W NORTH DOWN RIVER RD	062-022-007-080-00	
010-14-800-00-108-00		040-45-143-00-107-00	RIVER PARK DR	062-028-014-040-00	E PIONEER RD
010-14-802-00-447-00		040-45-200-02-005-00	210 SCOTT ST	062-028-015-010-00	2535 E PIONEER RD
010-14-803-00-550-00	3081 KIRTLAND DR	040-45-280-00-018-00	4223 W PINECREST RD	062-031-001-040-01	
020-016-011-040-00		040-45-281-00-049-00	130 ALEXIA LN	063-002-003-140-00	432 S MCMASTERS BRIDGE RD
020-016-011-040-03	9184 N PETERSEN RD	040-45-420-01-021-00	6421 OLD LAKE RD	063-011-002-070-00	1230 S MCMASTERS BRIDGE RD
020-022-004-040-00		040-45-480-00-018-00	2118 S WAKELEY BRIDGE RD	063-011-002-080-00	
020-025-012-080-00		040-45-765-20-013-00	9901 MY OWN AVE	063-011-013-040-00	10920 LINGER LONGER RD
020-075-000-092-01		040-45-765-20-016-00	BATTALION BLVD	063-011-013-275-00	
020-075-000-238-00		040-45-921-00-032-00	734 AIRPORT RD	063-013-003-020-00	2142 EATON TRL
030-001-003-030-00		050-006-012-020-05	5608 W FIVE MILE RD	063-013-006-020-00	2142 EATON TRL
030-014-002-010-00		050-008-013-020-41	4020 SKYLINE RD	064-400-000-060-00	11404 BEAVER CREEK TRL
030-019-016-020-00		050-009-007-020-10	4020 SKYLINE RD	064-400-000-516-00	10193 E PINEDALE
030-028-016-240-00		050-009-011-040-00	4020 SKYLINE RD	064-400-000-609-00	
030-029-010-100-00		050-018-011-030-00	8727 S OAK RD	064-400-000-666-00	3 E PIONEER RD
030-031-005-065-01		050-019-001-160-00	9093 SOUTHWELL RD	064-400-000-762-00	10763 DUPREY DR
030-031-007-120-00		050-019-002-035-00	5276 TRACY'S TR	064-400-000-039-00	105 EUGENE DR
030-033-001-180-00		050-029-001-035-01	10482 S MERRIO RD	064-440-000-040-00	105 EUGENE DR
031-011-006-180-02		050-029-012-020-00	10812 JOSEPHINE TR	064-480-000-012-00	1132 MOFFATT TRAIL
031-011-006-240-04	7637 TWIN PEAKS RD.	050-032-014-040-08	9270 FEDERAL HWY	064-500-000-030-00	11805 W ROBERTA DR
031-011-006-340-01	10484 TATAR TRAIL	051-002-011-060-00	7990 W FIVE MILE RD	064-540-009-003-00	2442 CONTOUR DR
031-012-001-031-00	10846 N OLD 27	051-002-013-020-06	6700 S KING RD	064-620-000-011-00	1740 MCCREDIE RD
031-024-004-006-00		052-250-000-004-00	11859 CROSSING DEER COURT	064-830-000-007-00	
031-034-001-040-02	6955 KOLKA CREEK RD	052-250-000-006-00	CROSSING DEER COURT	064-830-000-009-00	
031-034-002-065-00	8383 HULBERT RD	052-500-000-033-00	BARIC DR	064-830-000-010-00	11146 MANNING TRL
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032-102-000-132-00		052-520-000-327-00	W FOREST WAY	070-100-009-006-00	513 N JAMES ST
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032-180-000-180-00	6405 FREDERIC ST	052-520-000-339-00	W FOREST WAY	070-100-016-010-00	306 N JAMES ST
032-180-000-401-00		052-520-000-359-00	307 BOWSTRING CT	070-100-018-001-01	205 INGHAM ST
032-321-000-053-00		052-520-000-397-00	410 WIGWAM RD	070-100-018-012-00	
032-400-000-004-00		052-520-000-464-00	W FOREST WAY	070-100-020-001-00	307 IONIA ST
040-40-004-07-020-01	S SPITE AVE	052-520-000-465-00	POCAHONTAS TR	070-131-004-005-00	208 LANWDALE ST
040-40-004-16-020-04	2791 MCKAY RD	052-520-000-493-00	W FOREST WAY	070-131-004-015-02	314 FULTON ST
040-40-007-04-060-00	1330 KAPETS RD	052-520-000-540-00	10859 W FOREST WAY	070-132-001-001-04	401 MIKADO ST
040-40-007-14-120-00	585 RUSSELL RD	052-600-000-014-00	203 W LOVE'S DR	070-150-003-004-00	207 S JAMES ST
040-40-010-10-050-00	1579 S HORSESHOE TRL	052-600-000-053-00	103 E LOVE'S DR	070-200-003-005-00	608 CLYDE ST
040-40-019-16-003-00	937 RUSTIC LN	052-600-000-054-00	103 E LOVE'S DR		
040-40-022-01-180-00	3899 BOURRIE TRL	052-600-000-055-00	103 E LOVE'S DR		
040-40-030-09-020-08	EMBER TRL	052-600-000-073-00	104 E LOVE'S DR		
040-40-030-09-020-09	390 EMBER TRL				
040-41-007-11-035-00	5850 W M-72 HWY				

Legal Action

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY.

ATTN PURCHASERS: This sale may be rescinded by the foreclosing mortgagee. In that event, your damages, if any, shall be limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale, plus interest.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Brenda Gerow and Theodore R. Gerow, Wife and Husband, original mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns, Mortgagee, dated November 15, 2006, and recorded on November 15, 2006 in Liber 684 on Page 177, in Crawford County records, Michigan, and assigned by said Mortgagee to LaSalle Bank National Association, as Trustee for First Franklin Mortgage Loan Trust, Mortgage Loan Asset-Backed Certificates, Series 2007-FF1 as assignee, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Sixty Thousand Five Hundred Twenty-Five And 68/100 Dollars (\$60,525.68), including interest at 8.5% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the place of holding the circuit court within Crawford County, at 10:00 AM, on January 21, 2009. Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are

described as: Commencing at a point 132 Feet East of the Northwest corner of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of section 3, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, thence South 330.0 Feet, thence East 229.5 Feet, thence North 330.0 Feet, thence West 229.5 Feet to the point of beginning. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: December 18, 2008
For more information, please call:
FC G 248.593.1310
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys For Servicer
31440 Northwestern Highway,
Suite 200
Farmington Hills, Michigan 48334-2525
File #235592F01

-18-25-1-8

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

FORECLOSURE NOTICE This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose. If you are in the Military, please contact our office at the number listed below. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Michael J Henson, Unmarried and Pella J Hardacre, Unmarried to Fifth Third Bank (Northern Michigan), Mortgagee, dated May 15, 2002 and recorded June 17, 2002 in Liber 584 Page 543 Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was subsequently assigned to: The Bank of New York Mellon, as Indenture Trustee for the registered holders of ABFS Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-2, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-2, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Four Thousand Eight Hundred Sixty-Five Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$94,865.20) including interest 10.4% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on February 11, 2009 Said premises are situated in Township of Maple Forest, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: And Known as being a part of Section 7, Town 28 North, Range 3 West, Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan described as, commencing at the north one-quarter corner of said section 7, thence south 1 degrees 11 minutes 30 seconds, East along the north-south one-quarter line, 1309.8 feet for a point of beginning, thence north 89 degrees 47 minutes 00 seconds east, 653.6 feet, thence south 1 degree 25 minutes 00 seconds east, 654.1 feet, thence north 89 degrees 40 minutes 15 seconds west, 668.2 feet, thence north 1 degree 11 minutes 30 seconds west, 655.4 feet, thence north 99 degrees 47 minutes 00 seconds east, 12.0 feet to the point of beginning, be the same more or less, but subject to all legal highways. Commonly known as 5412 Ken Pen Road, Frederick MI 49733 The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later. Dated: DECEMBER 29, 2008 The Bank of New York Mellon, as Indenture Trustee for the registered holders of ABFS Mortgage Loan Trust 2002-2, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-2 Assignee of Mortgage Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123 Our File No: 08-03323 ASAP# 2959088 01/08/2009, 01/15/2009, 01/22/2009, 01/29/2009

-8-15-22-29

FORECLOSURE

THIS FIRM IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION WE OBTAIN WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. PLEASE CONTACT OUR OFFICE AT THE NUMBER BELOW IF YOU ARE IN ACTIVE MILITARY DUTY. MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by: Dennis K Kaiser and Therese M Kaiser, husband and wife, to New Century Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 12, 2005 and recorded February 28, 2005 in Liber 673, Page 951, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage is now held by US Bank National Association, as trustee, on behalf of the holders of the Asset Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series NC 2005-HE4 by assignment. There is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of One Hundred Nine Thousand Two Hundred Eighty and 25/100 Dollars (\$109,280.25) including interest at 9.375% per annum. Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue at the front door of the County Building in Grayling in Crawford County, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on JANUARY 21, 2009. Said premises are located in the Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot 9, Whippoorwill, according to the Plat thereof, as recorded in Liber 2, Page 51 and 52, of Plats, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale. TO ALL PURCHASERS: The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale. In that event, your damages, if any, are limited solely to the return of the bid amount tendered at sale,

plus interest. Dated: December 18, 2008 Orlans Associates, P.C. Attorneys for Servicer P.O. Box 5041 Troy, MI 48007-5041 248-502-1400 File No. 231.6740 ASAP# 2945258 12/18/2008, 12/25/2008, 01/01/2009, 01/08/2009

-18-25-1-8

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

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MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Anita P. Wise, a single woman to

Northwestern Mortgage Company, Mortgagee, dated August 5, 2003 and recorded August 15, 2003 in Liber 647 Page 421 Crawford County Records, Michigan on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Ninety-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Five Dollars and Fifty-One Cents (\$93,855.51) including interest 5.25% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided,

notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, Circuit Court of Crawford County at 10:00AM on January 28, 2009

Said premises are situated in Township of South Branch, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as: Lot Numbered 25 and 26, Hiawatha Park, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, page 43, Crawford County Records

Commonly known as 897 Cherokee Trail, Roscommon MI 48653 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241 or MCL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale, or upon the expiration of the notice required by MCL 600.3241a(c), whichever is later.

Dated: DECEMBER 18, 2008 Northwestern Mortgage Company Mortgagee Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C. 811 South Blvd. Suite 100 Rochester Hills, MI 48307 (248) 844-5123

Our File No: 08-01607

-25-1-8-15

Crawford County Board of Commissioners meeting minutes are now available on the county website: www.crawfordco.org eight days following the scheduled board meeting or may be obtained at the County Clerk's office for six (6) cents per page.

**Sandra Moore
County Clerk/Register of Deeds**

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Features

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE



January 9, 1986 - One of these girls will be representing the community as Miss Grayling. Shown here are (from left to right): (front row) Michele Moshier, Stephanie Hindmarsh, Christine Best; (back row) Debi Dibble, Kim Springer, Lynette Waggoner, Stacey Hinds and Karen Rauch.

23 Years Ago January 9, 1986

The new year started off great for the Vikings basketball team as they posted their first win of the season, 72-68 over Johannesburg-Lewiston.

Grayling snapped a five game losing streak with the win last Saturday. Grayling had only seven players available for the game and all seven scored six or more points.

Donald Ferguson, a Grayling Middle School instructor, received an award at the 1985 Michigan Teacher of the Year Nominee Recognition banquet that was held in Flint. Ferguson was one of seven regional Teacher of the Year Nominees honored. Ferguson is also head wrestling coach for GHS and an assistant varsity foot-

ball coach.

The Grayling Winter Sports Carnival Medallion Hunt will again offer a \$500 cash prize for the first person to solve the clues and find the medallion. Additionally, 11 smaller medallions, worth \$25 or \$30 each in gift certificates from area businesses, will be hidden around the county for treasure hunters to find.

The Crawford County Historical Society and the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce are proposing moving the county's historical artifacts into the Grayling railroad depot.

Ward Jones captured second place at 145 pounds in the Freeland Invitational wrestling competition on Dec. 4. The only other Grayling wrestler to place

was Robert Johnson with third place at 105 pounds.

46 Years Ago January 10, 1963

Wert's Lone Pine Inn is in the process of a complete remodeling job. The first step in the planned improvements was redoing the north dining room and that has been completed. Among other things, a cozy fireplace has been added and the back wall has been redone in stone to match the fireplace.

Miss Grayling 1963 will be presented and crowned this Saturday night at a dance to be held at the warming house at the Grayling Winter Sports Park. The five finalists for the title of Miss Grayling 1963 are Julie Carlson, Carole Gross, Toni Madsen, Penny Pettyjohn and Sharon Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. John Howe are the new managers of the Big Wheel restaurant as of Jan. 1, 1963, in place of the Walter Johnsons, and Jim Hunter, who have managed it for several years.

The first central U.S. Ski Association Region 3 Junior Alpine event will be held at Boyne Mountain on Jan. 13. Mickey Stillwagon, Mark Anderson, Jack Mason Jr., Mike Mason, John Cook, Jack Welch and Pat Buron are planning on attending this meet.

69 Years Ago January 11, 1940

The third grade at the

Frederic school is making a movie of Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs.

Miss Helen Isenhauer is the new clerk at the Kraus 5¢ to \$1 store.

Opening the season of winter sports, selecting a winter queen and entertaining a group of distinguished guests occupied the attention and time of the people of Grayling over the weekend. Ten well-known major league ball players were here to help make the event more impressive. Elsie Mae LaMotte, Norberta Weiss, Pauline Merrill, June Morris, Natalie Peterson, Gloria McNeven, Mary Jane Joseph, Bonita DeLaMater and Ruth Burrows were the nine contestants for queen.

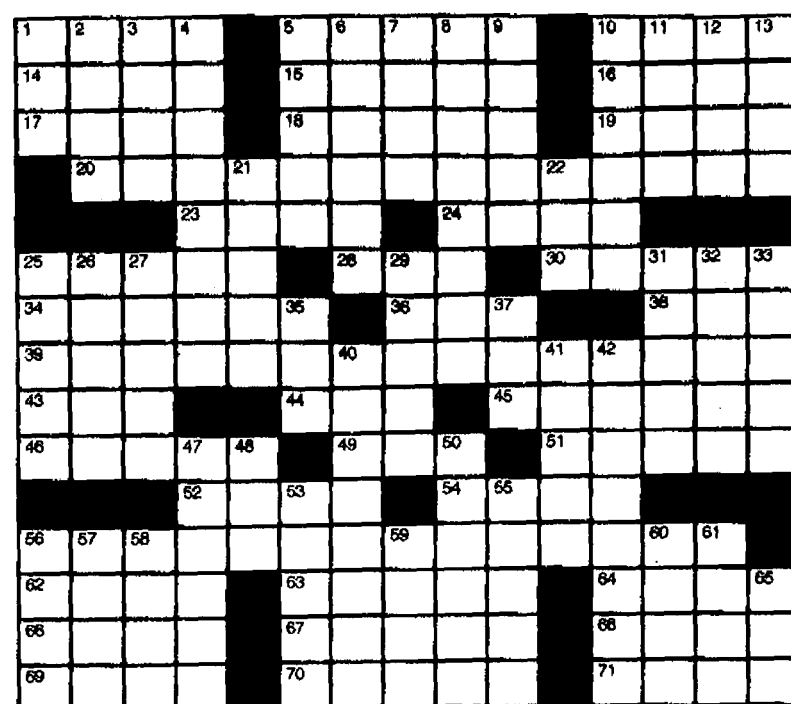
92 Years Ago January 11, 1917

Floyd McClain is now clerking in the Olaf Sorenson and Son store.

DeVere Burgess is driving the delivery wagon at the R.D. Connine grocery and Mr. Maxwell is filling the vacancy of County Clerk Frank Sales.

The government thermometer registered 19 degrees below zero Wednesday night. At 7 a.m., it was nine degrees below zero. This is the coldest night we have had so far this winter.

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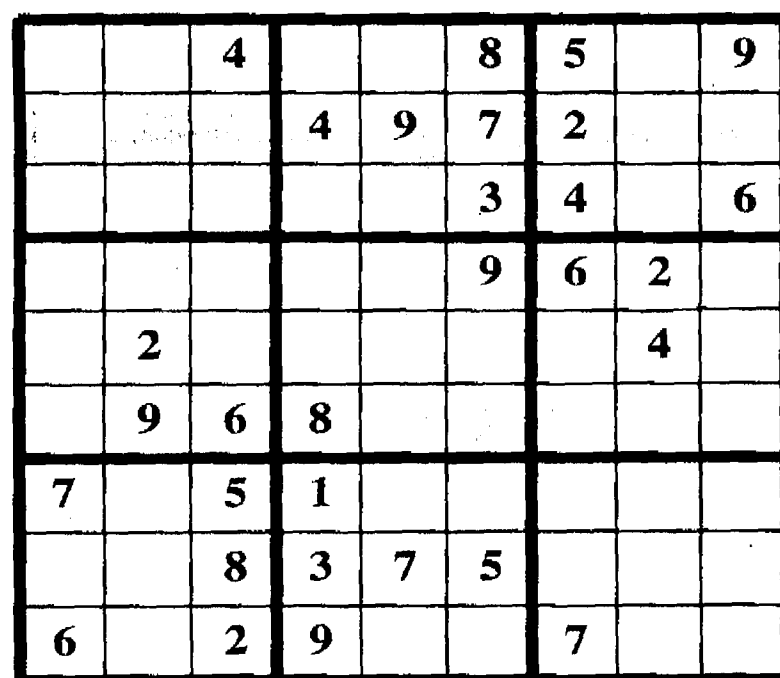
1. Gone
5. Golden Horde member
10. "Minimum" amount
14. Sundae topper, perhaps
15. Any detergent plant
16. Way, way off
17. Hawaiian tuber
18. Used for engraving
19. Bluenose
20. Practices of investing things with symbolic meaning
23. ___ gin fizz
24. "Thanks ___!"
25. Organic compound containing CONH2
28. Toni Morrison's "___ Baby"
30. Something unspecified
34. Bow
36. Back talk
38. Stop on a crawl
39. Political entity in Europe that began in 962 and lasted until 1806
43. "... ___ he drove out of sight"
44. Cap
45. Bookstore section
46. Femme fatale
49. Employment
51. Ashes, e.g.
52. "I, Claudius" role
54. Air force heroes
56. Culture with values opposed to those of the established culture
62. Artificial bait
63. "The Hobbit" hero Baggins
64. Boosts
66. Fishing, perhaps
67. "Enchanted April" setting
68. Birdbrain
69. "Beowulf" beverage
70. Force units
71. And others, for short

Down

1. "I" lid
2. "zoic" things
3. Etherial
4. Unpleasant or disastrous destiny
5. Ban
6. Charm
7. Spelling of "Beverly Hills 90210"
8. Orange-red crystalline compound used in dyeing
9. Kidney-related
10. Yellowstone sight
11. ___-American
12. Acquire
13. Units of work
21. Bedim
22. Deck (out)
25. Contents of some urns
26. Native New Zealander
27. More distressing
29. "Remember the ___!"
31. Ill will
32. Black-and-white diving bird
33. Doesn't ignore
35. Bon ___
37. Dash
40. More than half of the votes
41. Bach composition
42. Win approval or support for
47. The Muses, e.g.
48. After expenses
50. Mock scepter carried by a court jester
53. Bid again
55. Supplies or feeds to surfeit
56. Chowder morsel
57. Yorkshire river
58. Used as fertilizer
59. The Kennedys, e.g.
60. Braw
61. Icelandic epic
65. Costa del ___

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ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS



HOROSCOPES

For the week of January 8, 2009

CAPRICORN
December 22-January 19
Drama, drama, drama. You cannot escape it this week. Capricorn, cope the best you can and take comfort in an unusual source. Your financial picture begins to shape up.

ARIES
March 21-April 19
Don't make mountains out of molehills. Aries. Accept a situation for what it is and move on. You've got bigger fish to fry. A neighbor makes a deal with you.

CANCER
June 22-July 22
Golly, Cancer, you go all out for a family event, and lo and behold, people take notice. The accolades are all yours. A friend is in low spirits and could use a boost.

LIBRA
September 23-October 22
Livid, Libra. That's what a young friend is feeling, and it's up to you to find out why and set them straight. Excitement at home hits a fever pitch.

AQUARIUS
January 20-February 18
Move over, Aquarius, and let someone else take center stage at a family event. It's their turn to shine. A frank discussion with a friend ends well.

TAURUS
April 20-May 20
This is not the time for wishful thinking. Taurus. Action is required. If you don't step up to the plate, no one else will. A financial endeavor pans out.

LEO
July 23-August 22
This is your lucky week, Leo. You are consistently in the right place at the right time. A real estate venture goes well for an acquaintance. Invite them over for a little celebration.

SCORPIO
October 23-November 21
Come on, Scorpio. You've got what it takes, so go for it. Pursue that project with all of your might and let your talents shine. It could just be the start of a new you.

PISCES
February 19-March 20
Feeling, Pisces. Testing. A youngster tries your patience repeatedly. Be polite but firm with them. They may be just trying for some attention. The path to a solution at work takes shape.

GEMINI
May 21-June 21
Surely, Gemini, you have more to say than you are letting on. Say your piece and let the healing begin. A romantic gesture ends the week on a high note.

VIRGO
August 23-September 22
Don't put off tomorrow what you can do today, Virgo. The resources are at hand. A mystery at work compounds. The patient. All will be revealed in good time.

SAGITTARIUS
November 22-December 21
Sleep, sleep, sleep. You are sorely lacking in that department, Sagittarius. Stop avoiding the source of the problem. Face it, fix it and sweet dreams will come.

FOR ENTERTAINMENT PURPOSES ONLY

ADOPT A PET

WE'RE OVERLOADED! The animal shelter is currently very full of animals in need of loving homes, just like yours. Help these very adoptable pets find homes, adopt today!

Nathan & Tango

Nathan says that you should adopt Tango because he is "cool and he likes to run and play." Please come meet Tango and all of the other fantastic animals at the shelter waiting for loving new homes. Check out our available pets by logging onto our web site www.ousablevalleyanimalshelter.org.

Visit us at: www.ousablevalleyanimalshelter.org
 AuSable Valley Animal Shelter
 5786 Fairground Lane, Grayling
 Use the entrance to the Crawford County Fairgrounds
 Hours: Open 10 to 3 pm Monday through Saturday, 10 to 12 pm on Sundays and Holidays
 After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117
 For more pets or more information, visit our web site www.ousablevalleyanimalshelter.org

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

CHEESY PIZZA FONDUE

Ingredients:

2 tablespoons toasted breadcrumbs	2 oz. (1/2 cup) finely shredded mozzarella cheese
1/4 cup milk	2 slices pepperoni, finely chopped (optional)
1 can (15 oz.) tomato sauce	1 tablespoon Parmesan cheese (optional)
2 whole-wheat pita breads (each cut in 6 triangles), warm	

Directions: Mix breadcrumbs and milk in a small bowl until fully moistened; set aside. Combine tomato sauce and pepperoni (if using) in a small saucepan and heat to simmering. Stir in breadcrumb-milk mixture and simmer for 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Remove from heat and stir in cheeses until melted. Transfer to a serving bowl and serve with warm pita triangles for dipping.

Prep Time: Approx. 5 minutes
 Cook Time: Approx. 10 minutes
 Makes 4 servings

FIND THE TWINS

WHICH TWO ARE EXACTLY ALIKE?

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WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Last Week			Extended Forecast						
Date	H	L	Snow Inches	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
12/31	22	9	3						
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1/4	26	11	0						
1/5	29	9	0						
1/6	20	6	0						

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1. Real Estate

BEAUTIFUL HOME In town of Frederic. Great shape, new carpet, new paint. 4 bedrooms, large yard, 2 car garage, carport, full basement and new appliances. Don't miss this one! \$75,000. Call 989-348-5587. (-8-15/1)

1. Real Estate

2-3 BEDROOM 2 bath, year round ranch in peaceful setting, on maintained road, near lakes and snowmobiling. 2482 sandy Trail, south off M-72, 7.3 miles east of Grayling, price reduced. (586) 446-0004, (586) 713-7500. (6/22/06tf/1)

1. Real Estate

MOBILE HOME 2-3 bedroom for sale, owner finance on lot, 989-348-5278 or 586-405-0030. (3/20/08tf/1)

2. For Rent

TWO NICE CLEAN 2 bedroom duplexes. Laundry hookup, storage, lawn care and snowplowing. No smoking, \$495. 700A Smith and 8114 Insley Ave. (off Margrethe Blvd.). 348-2178. (1/8/09tf/2)

MOBILE HOMES 4 RENT 2 and 3 bedroom, \$425 and up. Also, trailers for sale. 348-5278. (9/28/06tf/2)

Grayling Pines Apartments is currently accepting applications for beautiful 1 & 2 bedroom apartments. Rent is based on 30% of your income; low to moderate incomes are welcome. Barrier free apartment waiting list is currently open. These apartments offer a patio, walk-in closets, air conditioning, garbage disposal, window treatments, neutral decor, and spacious living areas, also a very nice playground area. Free heat and free hot water. For Personal showing please call Jerry @ (989) 344-0020. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD 1-800-649-3777

WHISPERING PINES APARTMENTS Whispering Pines Apartments is currently accepting applications for beautiful 1 & 2 bedroom apartments. Rent is based on 30% of your income; low to moderate incomes are welcome. Barrier free apartment waiting list is currently open. These apartments offer a patio, walk-in closets, air conditioning, garbage disposal, window treatments, neutral decor, and spacious living areas. Free heat and free hot water. For a personal showing please call Jerry @ (989) 344-0020. Equal Housing Opportunity. TDD 1-800-649-3777

1. Real Estate

2. For Rent

SENIOR APARTMENTS AVAILABLE at The Brook Retirement Communities. Offering Independent and Assisted Living. Lots of amenities, activities, beautiful surroundings and affordable living. Communities located in: Houghton Lake (989) 422-7200 Roscommon (989) 275-4000, West Branch (989) 343-1400, Gladwin (989) 426-8700. Call or stop by today for a personalized tour. (5/10/2007tf/2)

HOUSE FOR RENT 3 bedroom, 2 bath, no pets. Security deposit plus utilities. 989-348-8621. (-8/2)

COZY FURNISHED 2 BEDROOM With garage. North of Higgins Lake. \$500 a month, first and last month's rent and credit report obtained, 989-939-8965. (-8-15/2)

BIG HOUSE Mobile homes and cabins at Lost Acres. 4 bedroom log home, \$575; 2 bedroom mobile homes, \$375 plus utilities; cabins from \$275 - \$375 with free utilities. 11004 - 11010 N. Old US 27, no pets at all. 1-877-227-6976, more details at www.qualityhome-rentals.net (Northern Michigan Units). (11/20/08tf/2)

TWO BEDROOM 1 bath. Washer and dryer hook up, refrigerator and range included, utilities not included, no pets. \$450 a month plus security. 6272 Old Lake Rd. 989-348-4716. (11/6/08tf/2)

HOME FOR RENT 4 to 6 bedroom, 2 bath executive retreat with outbuildings in Lovells. \$1,200 per month plus utilities. Call 989-732-2600. (7/10/08tf/2)

2 BEDROOM HOUSE In country setting. 1 1/2 car attached garage and all appliances. Located 8 miles south of Grayling, will consider pet. \$550 plus security deposit and references. 989-329-4826. (-8-15-22/2)

ARBOR COURT APARTMENTS In Grayling has an immediate opening in our 2 bedroom. Rental assistance is available and rent is based on 30 percent of the adjusted monthly gross income. Call Pam for details 989-732-6237. Equal housing opportunity. TDD # 1-800-649-3777. (LR3/26/09/2)

2. For Rent

BEAUTIFUL FULLY FURNISHED Luxury apartment in downtown Grayling on the AuSable River. 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms. Open living room design. \$900 a month plus utilities. Includes all lawn maintenance and snowplowing. 989-370-1290. (10/2/08tf/2)

FOR RENT 2 bedroom mobile home adjacent to state land. Wood/propane heat. Call for information, 348-7797. (-8-15-22/2)

3 BEDROOM HOUSE \$600 monthly. 989-450-9742. (-11-25-8/2)

NICE 2 bedroom single wide just west of the Manistee River, 15549 West M-72. \$450 per month, \$450 security deposit. 231-342-9726. (-8-16/2)

FREE ROOM FOR RENT Help pay utilities only. You pay about \$250 per month. Includes heat, electric, cable and internet. 517-375-2378. (-8/2)

NICE 2 BEDROOM HOME Gas heat, well insulated, 1/2 mile from river, located on 5 acres, minutes from town. \$500 per month plus deposit, will lease. Call 9 8 9 - 3 4 8 - 5 4 2 8 . (01/08/09tf/2)

3. Employment

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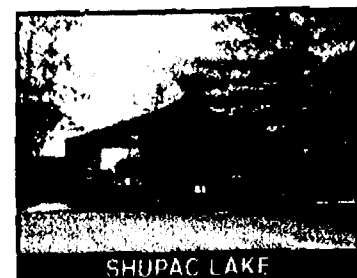
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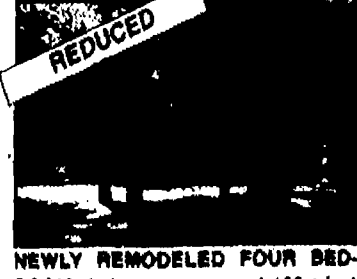
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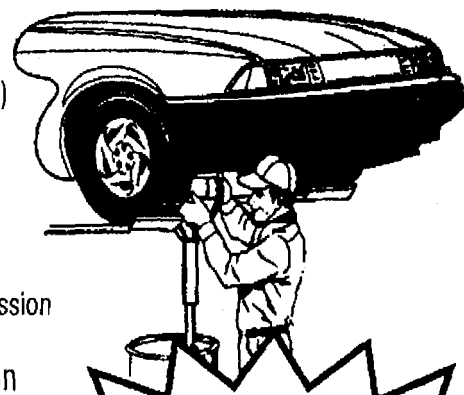
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